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DAILY GAZETTE.

THE LATEST NEWS.

Condensed Telegrams from All Quarters.

—Reports from various sections of Nebraska are very favorable for a large yield of wheat.

—Maj. Theo. H. Schenck, of the Utica (N. Y.) *Herald*, died last Tuesday night of asphyxia.

—A fire on Wednesday morning partially destroyed Vawter's block at Franklin, Indiana. Loss about $3,000.

—Chief Justice Waite presided in the United States Circuit Court at Richmond, Va., on Wednesday, with Circuit Judge Bond.

—The Comptroller of the Currency has called upon the national banks for reports exhibiting their condition at the close of business on Friday, May 1st.

—The Secretary of the Treasury, in submitting additional estimates for the year ending with June, 1875, for public works, asks for $183,352 for the San Francisco mint.

—A colony of forty Irish families passed through Omaha on Wednesday, bound for Holt county, Nebraska. One hundred and fifty more families are preparing to join them.

—Thomas Foley, an employe of the C. C. C. Railroad, was run over by a train of cars at the depot in Columbus, Ohio, on Wednesday, and had his shoulder and one leg broken.

—A dispatch from Liverpool says the reports concerning the steamship Ohio are greatly exaggerated. The steamer is uninjured. She will sail from Liverpool on her regular day.

—M. R. Gleason, of Ohio, a passenger on board a Great Western (Canada) Railway train going east, on Wednesday morning, dropped dead on the station platform at London, Ont. The cause of death is supposed to have been heart disease.

—General Butler is pronounced by his physician to be considerably better. His illness seems to have been occasioned by prostration from overwork, and earnest efforts are made to keep his mind entirely free from all perronal and political excitement.

—The State Auditor of Indiana has brought suit before the Marion Superior Court against the Johnson County Commissioners for $18,183.36, an alleged deficit in the assessment of taxes on property in that county during 1869, '70 and '71.

—Yesterday was the third day of the Chickasaw Jockey Club races at Memphis. The first race was a mile dash; won by Vandalite; time 1:47¾. Second race, mile heats; won by Moonbeam; time 1:50¾ and 1:58. Third race, 1¼ miles; won by Edwin Adams; time 2:15¼.

—H. M. Stanton, who represented himself to be a correspondent of the New York *Herald*, was arrested in Columbus, Ohio, on Wednesday, charged with forging several checks on James Gordon Bennett while at Newark, Ohio, several days ago. Stanton was taken to Newark for trial.

—A singular robbery is reported at Des Moines, Iowa. A dwelling house in a public part of the city, recently newly furnished with elegant furniture, carpets, etc., was stripped of everything except the cookstove during the temporary absence of the family, and there is not the slightest clue to the thieves.

—Since the street-work of the crusaders in Columbus was interfered with by the Police Commissioners they have not been idle. It is currently reported in temperance circles that at the next meeting of the Grand Jury an application will be made for over one hundred indictments against half a dozen liquor dealers of prominence in that city. The Young Men's League, it is said, will assist the crusaders in this work with money and influence.

—At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Indiana & Illinois Central Railway Company, the following named gentlemen were elected directors for the year ending May 5, 1875: Chauncey Villard, Sidney Dillon, William H. Gulon, Charles Dana, Henry B. Hammond, Benj. E. Bates, George M. Pullman, William G. Fargo, Henry Lewis, A. L. Rosche, C. M. Benson, T. H. Macoughtry, and Henry C. Moore. At a subsequent meeting of the Board of Directors H. B. Hammond was elected President and Chauncey Villard Vice President.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, May 6, 1874.

Corruption Among Charity Officials.

The grand jury has found a presentment against the Reform Commissioners of Charities and Correction, charging that since May 1, 1874, the commissioners bought dry goods in a manner at once wasteful, extravagant, and leading directly to corruption. The *Commercial* has a story about a well-known charity organization (St. John's Guild), charging that large sums of money contributed have not been accounted for, that the temporary treasurer has decamped, and he did so with the knowledge of the other officers. The reports of the Guild in cash in February and March were $26 000, of which the sum of $15,000 is said to have been expended for the relief of the poor.

Excitement in Political Circles

There was much excitement about City Hall to-day growing out of the alleged discovery made by some lawyers that the passage of the consolidation act legislated Comptroller Green out of office, and that the city is now without a Comptroller. Whether the opinion of these lawyers will stand a test before the courts is questionable, but they say that under the new charter the Board of Aldermen is vested with the powers of the old Board of Supervisors, subject to the Mayor's veto; that the County Treasurer is made Treasurer of the new corporation; that no provision is made for the constitution of the executive departments, and there are no Government officers except a Board of Aldermen and County Treasurer represented by the City Chamberlain. Green, Van Nort, Delafield, Smith and other heads of departments, are not, the lawyers say, officers of the new municipality, and have no power or authority in the government of the city.

South Carolina Bonds.

T. S. Cardozo, State Treasurer of South Carolina, and S. L. Hoge, Contractor General, are in this city for the purpose of making arrangements with holders of bonds of South Carolina issued between 1794 and 1869, and redeemable between 1870 and 1888, for the exchange of such bonds for coupon bonds or certificates of stock equal to fifty per cent. of the face value.

Failure.

The Manhattan Co-operation Boot and Shoe Manufacturers' Association has failed.

CANONSBURG.

Missionary Convention in Session—Addresses Upon Religious Matters—Foreign Missions Discussed.

Correspondence of the Pittsburgh Gazette.

CANONSBURG, PA., May 5, 1874.

The Missionary Convention convened in Providence Hall to-day at 11 o'clock, with a large attendance. The hour before dinner was consumed in devotional exercises when an adjournment was had until two o'clock in the afternoon. At the appointed hour the Convention reassembled and was opened with singing and prayer.

A permanent organization was effected by calling Hon. John Farrer, of Washington county, to the chair, and electing Rev. Jennings Secretary. The address of welcome was delivered by Rev. W. F. Brown, of Canonsburg. He spoke of the importance and extent of the missionary work, of its influence in the advancement of literature, science and commerce, and closed by extending a cordial welcome to all the delegates. Mrs. Williams followed with a fine address upon the subject of missions, reviewing the rise of the missionary cause, giving an interesting account of its progress, and picturing a glorious future for it, when all the ends of the world shall resound with the glad shout of "Glory to God in the highest." After the singing of a hymn the discussion on "The best means to awaken an interest in the cause of Foreign missions" was opened by the Rev. J. S. Marquis, who delivered an able address. He thought the ministers were at fault in not bringing the subject of missions oftener before their hearers. A missionary sermon preached once a year was not the way to originate a permanent interest in the cause. One of the best methods is working in the Sabbath school and getting the children interested. After further elaborating his many good points, and complimenting the work of women in the cause of missions, he concluded and the meeting adjourned until evening.

At seven o'clock the Convention met again, and after devotional exercises the afternoon discussion was resumed by Rev. Wm. Weir, who occupied considerable time in his address, and treated the subject in such a manner as to command the close attention of the audience. Rev. S. G. McFarland told of his missionary experience in Siam, and the Convention adjourned until morning.

WEDNESDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

This morning the Ladies' Missionary Society of Canonsburg, in connection with the delegates convened at the Hall. The number of spectators was quite large. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Braddock, who was followed by Mrs. J. E. McFarland in an address relative to the obstacles that missionaries have to contend with in Siam. One of the greatest she said was the evil influence exerted by the English Consul, who, though being the representative of a Christian nation, is a bold and defiant infidel, and has considerable power over the King. The speaker closed by urging the women to at once go to work and aid in the evangelization of Siam. They had undertaken it and the responsibility rests upon their shoulders. Mrs. Henderson, of Philadelphia, briefly spoke on the subject of forming Ladies' Missionary Societies in every congregation. The meeting then adjourned and the regular Convention met and listened to an address from Rev. J. S. Barr [illegible] missionary from India.

FIRST EDITION.

THE CAPITAL.

Minority Report on South Carolina Affairs.

THE CURRENCY QUESTION.

A Substitute Reported in the Senate for the House Bill.

WASHINGTON, May 6, 1874.

Minority Report on South Carolina Affairs.

Mr. ELDRIDGE, from the Judiciary Committee, to-day submitted a minority report on the condition of affairs in South Carolina, and is generally concurred in by the entire minority of the Judiciary Committee. The report says: It is impossible to turn a deaf ear to the supplicating wail of three hundred thousand oppressed and despoiled citizens of that once prosperous and happy State, praying only that inquiry be made into their alleged wrongs. We cannot find in the reproaches of the conduct of the memorialists in the past any reason or justification for refusing the hearing they now request. Their fidelity to the Constitution and laws is now unquestioned, and this plea is made in respectful terms.

The report recites briefly and pointedly a list of grievances complained of, and predicates from them that the charges of the memorialists are true, and concludes as follows: "In view of the whole case we cannot hesitate to recommend the appointment of a committee of both houses of Congress, with power and authority to go into the State of South Carolina, and further inquire and investigate into the condition of that State and the charges and complaints of the memorialists. To do less we feel we should violate or neglect a most solemn and important duty. The cry of that outraged and helpless and suffering people has reached our hearts as well as our understanding. That once prosperous and beautiful State is on the verge of ruin. She is, indeed, already prostrate. A horde of thieves and robbers worse than any that ever infested any civilized community on earth have her by the throat and are fast sucking her life-blood. Three hundred thousand of her citizens, descendants of those who fought and won with our fathers the battles of American independence and liberty, are crying to Congress for redress and help. They have suffered all that humanity can endure. They have exhausted every resource, and are utterly helpless of themselves. To refuse their request is to drive them to despair and ruin."

Substitute for the House Currency Bill.

Senator Sherman reported the following from the State Finance Committee to-day as a substitute for the House currency bill:

Be it enacted, &c., That the act to provide a national currency, secured by a pledge of United States bonds, and to provide for the circulation and redemption thereof, approved June 3d, 1864, shall be hereafter known as the "National bank act of 1864."

SEC. 2. That section 31 of the national bank act of 1864 be so amended that the several associations therein provided for shall not hereafter be required to keep on hand any amount of money whatever by reason of the amount of their respective circulations, but the moneys required by said section to be kept at all times on hand shall be determined by the amount of deposits in all respects as provided in said section, and such national banking associations, now organized or hereafter to be organized, shall keep and maintain as a part of its reserve one-fourth part of the coin received by it as interest on bonds of the United States deposited as security for circulating notes or Government deposits.

SEC. 3. That sections 31 and 32 of said act be amended by requiring that each of said associations shall, within ninety days after the passage of this act, keep its lawful money reserve within its own vaults, at the place where its operations of discount and deposit are carried on, and all the provisions of said sections requiring or permitting any of said associations to keep any portion of its lawful money reserves elsewhere than in its own vaults or requiring or permitting the redemption of its circulating notes elsewhere than at its own counters, except as provided for in this act, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. That section 22 of said act, and the several amendments thereto so far as they restrict the amount of notes for circulation under said acts, be and the same are hereby repealed, and a proviso in the first section of the act approved July 12th, 1870, entitled "An act to provide for the redemption of three per cent. temporary loan certificates, and for an increase of national bank notes," prohibiting to banks thereafter organized a circulation of over five hundred thousand dollars, and a proviso in the third section of said act limiting the circulation of banks authorized to issue notes redeemable in gold coin to one million dollars, and section 6 of said act relating to the distribution of twenty five millions of circulating notes, be and the same are hereby repealed; that every association hereafter organized shall be subject to and be governed by the rules, restrictions and limitations, and possess the rights, privileges and franchises now or hereafter to be prescribed by law as to national banking associations, with the same power to amend, alter and repeal provided by the national banking act of 1864.

SEC. 5. That every association organized or to be organized under the provisions of said act, and of the several acts in amendment thereof, shall at all times keep and have on deposit in the Treasury of the United States in lawful money of the United States a sum equal to five per cent. of its circulation, to be held and used only for the redemption of such circulation, and when the circulating notes of any such organization or association shall be presented for redemption in sums of one thousand dollars, or any multiple thereof, to the Treasury of the United States, the same shall be redeemed in United States notes. All notes so redeemed shall be charged by the Comptroller of the Currency to the respective associations issuing the same, and he shall notify them severally on the first day of each month, or oftener at his discretion, of the amount of such redemptions, whereupon each association so notified shall forthwith deposit with the Treasurer of the United States a sum equal to the amount of its circulating notes so redeemed, and all notes of national banks worn, defaced, mutilated or otherwise unfit for circulation shall when received by any Assistant Treasurer or at any designated depository of the United States, be forwarded to the Treasury of the United States for redemption, as provided herein, and when such redemptions have been so reimbursed, the circulating notes so redeemed shall be forwarded to the respective associations by whom they were issued; but if such notes are worn, mutilated, defaced or rendered otherwise unfit for use, they shall be forwarded to the Comptroller of the Currency, and destroyed and replaced as now provided by law. *Provided*, That each of said associations shall reimburse to the Treasury the charges for transportation and the cost of assorting said notes, and associations hereafter organized shall also severally reimburse to the Treasury the cost of engraving such plates as shall be ordered by each association respectively, and the amount assessed upon each association shall be in proportion to the circulation redeemed, and be charged to the fund on deposit with the Treasurer.

SEC. 6. That any association organized under the act of which this is an amendment, desiring to withdraw its circulating notes in whole or in part, may, upon the deposit of lawful money with the Treasurer of the United States in sums of not less than $9,000, take up the bonds which said association has on deposit with the Treasurer for the security of such circulating notes, which bonds shall be assigned to the bank in the manner specified in the 10th section of the act of 1864, and outstanding notes of said association to an amount equal to the legal tender notes deposited shall be redeemed at the Treasury of the United States, and destroyed. *Provided*, That the amount of the bonds on deposit for circulation shall not be reduced below $50,000.

SEC. 7. The Comptroller of the Currency shall, under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe, cause the charter number of the association to be printed upon all national bank notes which may hereafter be issued by him.

SEC. 8. That the entire amount of United States notes outstanding and in circulation at any one time shall not exceed the sum of $382,000,000, and within thirty days after circulating notes to the amount of $1,000,000 shall from time to time be issued to national banking associations under this act, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to retire an amount of United States notes equal to fifty per centum of the circulating notes so issued, which shall be in reduction of the maximum amount of $382,000,000 fixed by this section, and such reduction shall continue until the maximum amount of United States notes outstanding shall be $300,000,000; and for that purpose he is authorized to issue and sell at public sale, after ten days' notice of the time and place of sale, a sufficient amount of bonds of the United States of the character and description prescribed in this act for United States notes, to be then retired and canceled.

SEC. 9. That on and after the first day of January, 1877, any holder of United States notes to the amount of one thousand dollars, or any multiple thereof, may present them for payment at the office of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States, or at the office of the Assistant Treasurer of the City of New York, and thereupon the Secretary of the Treasury shall, in exchange for said notes, deliver to such holder at par equal amount of coupon or registered bonds of the United States in such form as he may prescribe of the denomination of fifty dollars or some multiple of that sum, redeemable in coin of the present standard value, at the pleasure of the United States, after ten years from the date of their issue, and bearing interest payable quarterly in such coin at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, and the Secretary of the Treasury may issue the United States notes so received, or if they are canceled, so may issue notes to the same amount, either to purchase bonds or redeem the public debt at par in coin, or to meet the current payments for the public service, and the said bonds and interest thereon shall be exempt from the payment of all taxes or duties of the United [illegible] as well as from taxation [illegible] State, municipal [illegible] said bonds and [illegible] expressed upon their face the above specified conditions, and shall, with their coupons, be made payable at the Treasury of the United States. *Provided*, however, that the Secretary of the Treasury, in lieu of such bonds, may redeem said notes in gold coin of the United States.

SEC. 10. That nothing in this act shall be construed to authorize any increase of the public debt of the United States.

Currency and Adjournment Questions.

Those in Congress who are opposed to any further agitation of the currency question will make every endeavor to secure an adjournment by the first of June. There will be no difficulty in this, should their views prevail, as the appropriation bills can easily be put through both Houses by that time. The passage of the appropriation bills will be the only business Congress has transacted in this its six months' session, except to allow heavy claims against the Government. It has been a bad session for jobbery, with the exception of some little legislation in that line which has cropped out here and there in some of these claims.

Duty on Egyptian Sugar.

The Secretary of the Treasury has decided that sugar, the product of Egypt, a country on the Mediterranean sea, lying east of the meridian of the Cape of Good Hope, which is imported from Liverpool, is held not to be liable to the discriminating duty of 10 per centum under the 3d section of the act of June 6th, 1872, it having been previously decided that by the term "countries beyond the Cape of Good Hope" was meant such countries as are ordinarily reached in commercial intercourse by sailing around the cape.

The Franking Privilege.

The majority feeling in both Houses of Congress is in favor of abolishing the law repealing the franking privilege, but this step has as yet produced no advocates of sufficient temerity to openly agitate such a measure. From present indications the privilege would be restored if some bold leader would undertake to agitate the question.

FORTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

FIRST SESSION.

The Centennial Appropriation Bill Again Discussed in the House.

WASHINGTON, May 6, 1874.

SENATE.

The House Currency Bill.

Mr. SHERMAN, from the Finance Committee, reported back the House bill amendatory of the National currency acts and to establish free banking, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Placed on the calendar.

Mr. FERRY (Mich.) said he did not desire it to be understood that this was a unanimous report of the committee. There were some things upon which the committee was united and others upon which it was decided, and he reserved to himself the right of a minority to dissent at any time.

A Small Appropriation.

Mr. LOGAN, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported favorably on the House bill appropriating $250 to enable the Secretary of War to employ temporary clerks to make copies of the papers in the case of Captain Hunt, which papers were recently called for by the House of Representatives. Passed.

Exportation of Distilled Spirits.

Mr. SHERMAN called up the House bill to facilitate the exportation of distilled spirits, and amendatory of the acts in relation thereto. Passed.

The bill provides that when a new bond is given at the port of exportation, the original bond given at the distillery may be canceled, and, further, removes the restriction that spirits must be consigned to a particular port, so that thereafter they may be shipped to the port mentioned or any other.

Assay Office in Montana.

The House bill to establish an assay office at Helena, Montana Territory, was passed.

Transportation of Swine.

Mr. FENTON presented a remonstrance of citizens of New York City, Albany, Buffalo, Rochester, Cleveland, Toledo and Erie, engaged in the transportation of swine from the West to the East, praying that their animals be excepted from the provisions of the House bill to prevent cruelty to animals while in transit by railroad or other means of transportation within the United States. Referred.

Postal Telegraphy.

Mr. RAMSEY gave notice that at the earliest opportunity he would ask the Senate to proceed to the consideration of the bill to provide for the transmission of correspondence by telegraph.

Territory of Pembina.

Mr. FOREMAN gave notice that he would ask the Senate at an early day to consider the bill to establish the Territory of Pembina, and to provide a temporary Government therefore.

Gas in the District.

The bill regulating gas works in the District of Columbia was passed.

Army Promotion.

Mr. LOGAN, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported favorably on the bill to create an additional Major of cavalry, and to promote Capt. James M. Robertson. Placed on the calendar.

Civil Rights—Geneva Award.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN said he would not let the Civil Rights bill lay over, as several gentlemen wished to speak. He also said the Chairman of Judiciary Committee (Edmunds) desired him to give notice that he would call up the Geneva Award bill to-morrow.

The Senate went into executive session, and soon after adjourned.

HOUSE.

The Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. DAWES, the House agreed to meet at [illegible] M during the remainder of the session.

Diplomatic.

Mr. BANNING from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, reported a bill to amend the Consular and Diplomatic bill. Passed.

South Carolina Affairs.

Mr. ELDRIDGE submitted a minority report in regard to South Carolina affairs. Ordered printed.

Fort Randall Military Reservation.

Mr. HAWLEY, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported back the Senate bill for the relief of settlers on the Fort Randall Military Reservation in Dakota. It confirms the right of settlers who had been in occupation of their lands prior to June, 1860, when the reservation was established, and of those who made settlements in good faith between 1867 and 1870, when the reservation was not occupied for military purposes. Passed.

The Centennial.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Haskins in the chair, on the Centennial Appropriation bill, and was addressed by Mr. COBB in opposition. He believed that the passage of this bill would be a violation of good faith and that the country was in nowise able to afford the expense of such a luxury. He should vote to keep the Centennial project within the bounds marked out for it by its early projectors and its late curators—the field of voluntary contribution—and he would never consent to a forced loan of the people's money for such a purpose.

Speeches were made by Messrs. Harrison, Frye and Shanks in support of the bill, and Messrs. Phelps, Smith (Ohio) and Gunckel opposed it. The latter, in the course of his remarks, said that no newspaper in Ohio had advocated the measure. He had seen no editorial in favor of it except in a late number of the Cincinnati *Commercial*, which he would ask the Clerk to read. The article from the Cincinnati *Commercial* was read, intimating, among other things, that the Centennial Commission kept a gang of lobbyists in Washington, and that the money received for stock subscriptions was spent in attempts to manufacture bogus public opinion. At a subsequent point in the discussion this article was denounced by Mr. Randall as a calumny.

During Mr. Gunckle's speech a little episode occurred, caused by Mr. Butler (Tenn.) insisting that Mr. Gunckel should address the chair.

Mr. Dawes having made some remark in criticism of Mr. Butler, the latter replied that he did not propose to learn anything from the gentleman from Massachusetts.

Mr. DAWES intimated that Mr. Butler might learn a little manners from him, to which

Mr. BUTLER retorted that Mr. Dawes had no manners himself, but was always poking his nose into matters which did not concern him.

At a quarter past five o'clock the House took a recess till 7:30, when the session was resumed with a very slim attendance of members.

Mr. MCCORMICK made an elaborate speech in support of the bill.

Mr. WARD (Ills.) spoke against it. He pictured the sufferings of the people in the inundated portions of the South and of thousands of unemployed men all over the country, and asked whether he could, in the face of these scenes, vote three million dollars for a display.

Mr. MCCORMICK, in reply to Mr. Ward, read some extracts from the Chicago *Inter Ocean*, advocating a liberal response to the appeal of the Finance Committee of the Centennial celebration.

Mr. MYERS reminded Mr. Ward of the generous response which went up from the whole people after the gr at Chicago fire, and then proceeded to make a speech in support of the bill.

Mr. WHITE followed on the same side.

The debate was continued by Messrs. Albright, Lofland and Hazleton (N. J.) in support of the bill, and finally the House, at 10:35, adjourned.

BARNUM'S show has had lots of bad luck since leaving West Chester. At Easton, on Saturday, thirty of the canvass men, becoming disgusted with the "profession," resigned their positions; one of the poles fell upon a horse, injuring him so severely that he had to be shot; and in leaving the place half of the wagons stuck in the mud. At Allentown the rhinoceros wagon "stuck," and a Mr. Karl came to the rescue with his six mules and helped the beast and its cage out, for which the circus men rewarded him with a good gray horse.

A MAN in adjoining county died recently who had taken his county paper for twelve years without paying for it. Upon the day of his burial the kind hearted, forgiving editor called to see him for the last time, and stuffed a linen duster and a couple of palm leaf fans into his coffin. He was preparing him for a warmer climate.

MISS ALICE ADAMS, of Franklin borough, Cambria county, has entered as a novice in the order of the Sisters of St. Benedict at that place.

SECOND EDITION.

Four O'Clock.

FOREIGN.

Triumphant Entry of Marshal Serrano into Madrid.

Eight Batallions of Colored Militia to be Formed in Cuba.

SPAIN.

Return of Marshal Serrano to Madrid.

MADRID, May 6.—Marshal Serrano arrived in this city this afternoon, and was received with great enthusiasm. Triumphal arches were erected and the houses gaily decked with flags. Many officers and men are to be rewarded for gallantry.

Army Movements.

The Republican army is marching on Durango. General Concho, with his army, was to leave Bilbao to-day. Bodies of Carlisis are reported at Amezcoa and Estella.

Carlists Defeated.

MADRID, May 6.—A body of Carlists were defeated in Valencia to-day, and forty of their number killed.

GREAT BRITAIN.

General Sickles Presented to the Queen.

LONDON, May 6.—General Sickles, ex-Minister to Spain, was presented to the Queen yesterday.

Church Disestablishment.

LONDON, May 6.—A meeting was held to-night of those favoring the disestablishment of the English Church. Professor Goldwin Smith presided. In his address he advocated the application of Church endowments to the relief of the poor and promotion of education.

The Strikes in Durham.

There seems no prospect of a settlement of the strikes at the Durham collieries. Seventy thousand miners and laborers are now out of employment and great distress prevails. Many are preparing to emigrate.

CANADA.

Parliament.

OTTAWA, May 6.—It is expected that Parliament will be prorogued about the 23d of May. The estimates are through with, and but little time will be occupied in passing the remaining bills.

Imperial Appointment.

It is again rumored that Sir John A. Macdonald will receive an imperial appointment.

JERUSALEM.

Snow-Storm near Mount Sinai.

LONDON, May 6.—The American Oriental Topographical Corps of Engineers have reached Jerusalem, after making very successful explorations in the vicinity of Mount Sinai. They report as a very remarkable fact that they were detained two days by a heavy snow storm about Mount Sinai. The expedition will leave soon for Bashan and Moab.

CUBA.

Colored Militia.

HAVANA, May 6.—Captain General Concha has issued a decree ordering the formation of eight batallions of colored militia.

FORT WAYNE.

Fashionable Wedding.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

FORT WAYNE, May 6, 1874.

This evening a fashionable and aristocratic wedding took place at the residence of Mrs. F. Lewis McElfatrick. C. R. Higgins, Esq., Train Dispatcher on the P. Ft. W. & C. R. R., was married to Miss Ella S. Hale, a niece of one of our oldest and wealthiest citizens, Oliver H. Jeffords. The affair was one of the most brilliant of the season. M.

WASHINGTON, PA.

Annual Party to the Graduating Class of Washington and Jefferson College.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

WASHINGTON, PA., May 6, 1874.

Dr. Hays, President of Washington and Jefferson College, gave his annual party to the graduating class to-night before the members of the class leave for home to spend the summer vacation. As usual, the party was very large and brilliant. E.

MINGO JUNCTION, O.

Explosion in a Coal Shaft.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

MINGO JUNCTION, May 6, 1874.

A coal shaft at Rush Run exploded at an early hour this morning, shaking houses as if done by an earthquake. The explosion at such an early hour saved many lives. Everything is a total wreck. G.

WAYNESBURG, PA.

Explosion in a Saw-Mill—Three Men Injured.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

WAYNESBURG, PA., May 6, 1874.

Hunnell & Ganar's saw-mill exploded to-day. The machinery and building are a total wreck. Three men were seriously injured. B.

VAN WERT, O.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

$1,500 Fire.

VAN WERT, O., May 6, 1874.

A fire broke out in this city to-day in the dry house of the Van Wert Stave Co.'s mills, entirely destroying the building and contents. Loss fifteen hundred; insured. S.

KALAMAZOO.

Fatal Accident.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

KALAMAZOO, MICH., May 6, 1874.

An old gentleman named Pierce was run over and almost instantly killed by a switch engine in the Michigan Central yards at this place this morning. X.

WEATHER REPORT.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER,
WASHINGTON, D. C., 1 A. M., May 7, 1874.

Probabilities for To-day.

For New England, the Middle States and the lower lake region, clear or clearing weather, with cool northerly and variable winds, will prevail, with slight rise in barometer.

For the South Atlantic States, generally clear and cool weather, southerly to westerly winds, and rising, followed by falling, barometer.

For the Gulf States, partly cloudy weather, rising temperature, southeast to southwest winds, and stationary to falling barometer.

For the lake region, generally clear weather, a slight rise in temperature,, northeast to southeast winds and falling barometer.

For Tennessee and the Ohio valley, generally clear weather, without any decided change in temperature, and with variable winds.

For the Northwest, generally clear weather, no decided change in temperature, easterly and southerly winds and falling barometer.

The Ohio, Mississippi and Missouri rivers will decline during the day.

Daily Bulletin.

OFFICE OF OBSERVATORY,
PITTSBURGH, May 6, 1874, 10:48 P. M.

The weather at Cairo is clear, thermometer 60; Cincinnati, O., clear, thermometer 57; Davenport, Iowa, clear, thermometer 57; Fort Gibson, C. N., clear, thermometer 56; Indianapolis, Ind., clear, thermometer 50; Keokuk, Iowa, clear, thermometer 70; La Crosse, fair, thermometer 58; Leavenworth, Kan., clear, thermometer 62; Louisville, clear, thermometer 58; Memphis, clear, thermometer 61; Nashville, clear, thermometer 60; Pittsburgh, clear, thermometer 41; Shreveport, clear, thermometer 63; St. Louis, clear, thermometer 62; St. Paul, clear, thermometer 57; Vicksburg, clear, thermometer 62; Yankton, clear, thermometer 60.

GEO. H. ROHE, Observer.

Connecticut Legislature.

NEW HAVEN, May 6.—The organization of the Legislature has been completed. Tilton E. Doolittle was elected Speaker of the House. The Governor's message was read in joint convention. It discusses the financial question at some length, and says the veto by the President of the currency bill is a subject for congratulation, and favors a return to specie payments; urges reform in the revenue system, and views with apprehension the tendency towards centralization.

The Democratic caucus for the nomination of a United States Senator will be held next week on Wednesday.

European Steamship Arrivals Yesterday.

Dispatches received at Max Schamberg's European Steamship, Exchange and Telegraph Office, at No. 163 Smithfield street, announce the arrival of the steamer Westphalia at New York; steamer Main at Southampton; steamer Italy at Queenstown; steamer Spain at Queenstown; steamer Linda, from Liverpool, burned at sea, crew saved.

HARRISBURG.

Bills Going Through Both Houses with a Rush—The Bill Relative to Assessments for Grading and Regrading Streets Postponed — Reports from Committees.

A Lively Fight in the House over the Liquor Bill—The Contested Election Bill Passed by the House—Allegheny Board of Control in Favor of a School Board Commission.

Special to the Gazette.

HARRISBURG, May 6, 1874.

SENATE.

Bills Passed Finally.

An act imposing penalties on employes of railroad and canal companies for selling commodities to companies engaging them, or engaging in the business of a common carrier thereof.

An act relative to burial grounds situated in incorporated boroughs.

To authorize the Auditor General and the State Treasurer to settle outstanding claims due for work done and material furnished the Constitutional Convention.

Conferring upon the Councils of cities power to reorganize the municipal departments.

To validate the action of officers selecting and drawing jurors.

A Stormy Fight.

Messrs. Humphries, Graham and Anderson made a strong fight on Senate bill No. 211, relative to assessments for grading and regrading of streets. They succeeded in getting a reconsideration of the bill, but failed to pass it finally, and were compelled to consent to a postponement for the present.

The afternoon session was occupied with bills on first and second reading.

HOUSE.

Bills Reported.

A large number of bills were reported from committees.

By Mr. WILLIAMS, repealing the Clarion Poor House law.

By Mr. CHRISTY, a supplement to the Insurance law, negatively.

By Mr. NEWMYER, authorizing notaries to appoint deputies.

By Mr. STRANAHAN, negatively, a day of grace on notes.

By Mr. GERWIG, negatively, a resolution to purchase for the use of members bound copies of the geological survey.

General Contested Election Law.

Mr. NEWMYER had the general contested election law made the special order for the afternoon session, and moved that the debate be limited to five minutes each.

Fight over the Liquor Bill.

Mr. WAINWRIGHT called up House bill No. 101, regulating the sale of liquors.

An unusual amount of noise commenced.

Speaker MCCORMICK said there was no necessity for the House to get into a panic whenever a liquor bill was reached on the calendar. Half of this bill needs amendment.

Mr. WAINWRIGHT—Well, amend it.

Mr. TONER—Yes, that's what you are here for, to perfect legislation.

Mr. MYERS—I deny that it is the duty of the temperance side of the House to perfect your liquor bills. Bring in such bills as will be acceptable.

Mr. WEBB took the chair, and the House refused to consider the bill.

Passed to Second Reading.

Mr. NEWMYER called up and had passed to the second reading the act relating to county rates and levies on agricultural lands; also an act preventing certain parties in interest to be witnesses.

Increased Fees Defeated.

The bill increasing the fees of justices of the peace and constables was defeated.

Married Women's Rights.

Mr. NEWMYER called up and had passed to the second reading the act to secure to married women the control of money deposited by them in savings banks.

Roads in Washington County.

Mr. ALLISON called up and had passed to the second reading an act relating to roads in Washington county.

After finishing two pages of the calendar on the first reading of bills, the House fixed an evening session.

Local Option.

House bill 393, an act to repeal an act to permit the voters of this Commonwealth to vote every three years on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors was not reached on the first reading.

Contested Elections.

Mr. NEWMYER'S bill relative to contested elections, being the special order, was taken up.

Mr. BROCKWAY moved to amend.

Speaker MCCORMICK called Mr. Newmyer to the chair and took the floor against amendment and in favor of the bill, which was passed without amendment—78 to 14.

Mercantile Appraises.

Mr. RONEY called up the Mercantile Appraisers' bill.

Mr. CHRISTY and others objected. The bill went over.

Local Option Again.

Mr. LOWRIES called up the bill repealing the local option law for Luzerne county.

Mr. WAINWRIGHT offered an amendment to extend it all over the State.

Mr. WEBB raised the point of order that a local bill could not be amended so as to make it a general bill.

Mr. NEWMYER (in the chair) ruled the point of order well taken.

Night Session.

A night session will be had for the consideration of the bill regulating cities, which is fifty pages long.

School Book Commission.

Numerous messages have been received during the day from members of the Allegheny Board of Control, urging the members to favor Senate bill No. 208 relative to a School Book Commission.

Personal.

Chas. H. Schriner was at the Capitol House, en route to Topeka, Kansas, to-day.

Army Reunion.

Preparing to assemble [illegible] Grand Army of the Five its first [illegible] Ninth Army Corps will ha[illegible] Monday.

THE ELECT[illegible]

Special Dispatch to the Pitts[illegible] Indiana.

FORT WAYNE, IND.

Yesterday's election has b[illegible] considerable excitement. Thi[illegible] man in the Sixth ward will be [illegible] ground of non-citizenship. [illegible] Democratic nominee, filed a[illegible] against Nicholas Dowall, the [illegible] Councilman, in which he testi[illegible] he not naturalized. The qu[illegible] knotty one, on account of Dowa[illegible] and serving a regularr term [illegible] States army.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 6.—The[illegible] terday resulted in a thorough[illegible] Democrats through the aid of [illegible]ers' Association. The Counc[illegible] Democrats, having elected th[illegible] nine of the thirteen wards. [illegible] most of the wards to the activ[illegible] of the Liquor Dealers' Associat[illegible] have been abortive in at least t[illegible] had it not been for the aid fu[illegible] by the professed temperance f[illegible] a third candidate or not voting.

The temperance issue was t[illegible] in most of the country cities. [illegible] tickets were elected in Crawfo[illegible] Wabash and Anderson, while [illegible] Angola, Muncie, Waterloo, [illegible] Peru. In the towns where pol[illegible] the Republicans won decided v[illegible] son, Bloomington and Logan[illegible] Democrats take Auburn, Fort [illegible] mond, and Lafayette stands [illegible] Terre Haute four Citizens' n[illegible] Workingmen's nominee were el[illegible]

NEW ORLEA[illegible]

Call for a Convention o[illegible] Exchanges.

NEW ORLEANS, May 6.—The follo[illegible] amble and resolutions, calling for a Con[illegible] of Cotton Exchanges, were adopted this eve[illegible] at a meeting of the Directors of the New [illegible] leans Exchange:

WHEREAS, One of the chief objects for th[illegible] establishment and maintenance of a Cotton Exchange is to acquire, preserve and disseminate information connected with the cotton trade, and it is desirable in promotion of this object that a more enlightened and systematic method than at present in vogue here or elsewhere should be adopted, and in the opinion of this Exchange any and all improvements in the manner, method and character of the information obtained for the benefit of the cotton trade in general should be made, and with the advice and consent of all parties interested; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend each institution to send as representatives their Superintendent, chairman of Committee of Statistics and Information, and a member additional who shall be chosen for his capacity and ability in dealing with questions to arise, and that an invitation be and is hereby extended to the commercial news departments of telegraph companies to attend in the capacity of representatives and members of the Convention.

Prior to the above action letters were received from other exchanges offering co-operation in the movement.

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cheapest and most reliable
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ARKANSAS.

The Missing Judges Found.

LITTLE ROCK, May 6.—The two missing Judges, Bennett and Searle, escaped from their captors in Salem county last night, and arrived in the city to-day, under a Federal escort, which went out last night and again this morning to look for them.

Meeting of Supreme Court Judges.

Three Judges of the Supreme Court, McClure, Stephenson and Searle

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GOLD closed in New York yesterday at 112¼.

THE Republican State Central Committee of this State, will meet at the Court House in Harrisburg on Tuesday, May 12.

THE Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia *Press* states that consultations have been held between members of Congress of the West and South, those of this State included, relative to finance, cheap transportation, and the Mississippi levees. A convention at St. Louis, in the early Fall, with a view to more complete organization, is talked of. This looks like the abandonment of any attempt to urge any financial legislation on Congress at this session.

OUR citizens have been remarkably apathetic toward the Louisiana sufferers. The following telegram, from the Mayor of New Orleans, issued on Monday last, shows the necessities of the suffering people to be urgent: "You and other friends of Louisiana must do everything possible for the sufferers, acting according to your own discretion as to measures. The field of suffering is widening." Ought not something to be done in this city, in behalf of those deprived of home and food?

CONTROLLER WARNER has called the attention of our members to a bill pending in the Legislature which if passed will have the effect of losing to this county $210,000 second mortgage bonds on the Connellsville Railroad. As the law stands,—a [illegible] passed for the purpose,—this [illegible] ferred creditor, and can enforce that road by summons. In virtue of this favorable [illegible] commissioners, several [illegible] and mortgage [illegible] been enacted are [illegible] ation to the established industries of the [illegible] y, and particularly those of this [illegible] the outlay thus indicated, about [illegible] ld come to this State. As [illegible] completed in from three [illegible] pour in upon us [illegible] dollars yearly. [illegible] of the Texas [illegible] he amount [illegible] him. The report just submitted to Congress falls upon him with crushing force, and while in his administration blamable, is, in his personal condition, an object of pity. It is better for him, as well as for the country, that a change should be speedily made, and we know no one better fitted for the position than Mr. Washburne. He has personal force, and political strength and popularity, and these are elements that must be thought of in a person in that position. Added to these, he has an undoubted capacity for the position itself.

THE new Constitution, we believe, requires in cases where property owners in cities are damaged by changing the grade of streets or lanes, that the municipal authorities of the city, ordering such changes of grade, shall secure the party injured before the work is done. Under the city ordinances, damages in such cases were not assessed until after the change had been effected. The bill killed in the Senate yesterday provides that when such changes are authorized, the city shall give bonds to indemnify the property owners for any damage that might be awarded. Under this law, work on the streets to be graded might progress, but without it, injunctions would be issued out and work delayed. It would be a sad state of things for Pittsburgh and Allegheny, or any other city so rapidly growing and extending their streets and avenues, to be retarded or thwarted in important improvements by the contumacy or caprice, perhaps, of a single individual, and both cities have a very great interest in the passage of just such a bill as the one which failed in the Senate. We bespeak the prompt attention of our Senators and Representatives to this matter, as, unless the bill referred to, or a similar one, is enacted into a law before the session closes, both Allegheny and Pittsburgh will be liable to heavy damages to contractors for work now underway, and many improvements now in progress will no doubt be arrested; several are indeed already stopped to await the necessary legislative action.

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD.

We re[illegible]ed, in a brief paragraph, a few days since, to the report of J. Milnor Roberts, touching the present condition and cost of completing the Northern Pacific Railroad. It sets in such a clear light, the exact situation of this great enterprise, that we *resume* its facts, although we regret that a statement is not made of the trade and prospects of that portion of the line already completed. It appears that 555 miles of the road are completed,—450 miles from the head of Lake Superior to Bismarck, and 105 from Tacoma, its western terminus to Kalama, on the Columbia river. So far as built, the road has been pronounced first-class in construction, rolling stock and buildings. Between the two extremes of finished road, are 1,483 miles unfinished, divided into six divisions, one of which includes the celebrated Yellowstone region, and nearly all of which is through fertile country, that must be rapidly settled when once it is opened up by means of this railroad. The estimates for completing these 1,483 miles include grading, bridging, track, such as iron, cross ties and side tracks, rolling stock and buildings, contingencies, including engineering and superintendence, bridge over the Missouri river, tunnel, and bridge over the Columbia river. For all these very complete details, an average cost of $31,860 per mile is estimated to complete the road. Thus the entire cost will be $47,248,574.

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PERSONAL.

PRINCE NAPOLEON is in Paris.

GENERAL VON ROON, of Prussia, is in Rome.

THE Khedive of Egypt has a pet pianist named Ketten.

MME. RISTORI expects to be in Mexico in September, and in Havana next February.

THE ex-Empress Eugenie is rumored to have visited Paris recently and to have made several visits during her stay.

COLONEL DAVID CROCKETT'S daughter, Mrs. Halford, has offered a portrait of her illustrious father to the State of Texas.

AMONG the bequests of Samuel Train, of Medford, Mass., recently deceased, is another three thousand dollars to endow a Professorship of Ecclesiastical History in the Chicago Theological Seminary.

PROF. OWEN, who has lately returned from a tour in Egypt, will preside over the ethnological section of the International Congress of Orientals to be held in London, from the 14th to the 19th of September.

HENRY WATTERSON, of the Louisville *Courier-Journal*, has been "interviewed" by a Boston scribe, who describes him as being of medium height and age, with a sharp and bright eye, an intellectual face, and the genial air of a "jolly good fellow."

THE Emperor Alexander of Russia is a very quiet, unobtrusive man. He dislikes noise or bustle. During the eight days he is to sojourn in England he will spend most of his time in Windsor. He will not devote more than two, or at furthest three, days to London, and it is his wish to be "let alone" as much as possible when he is in the metropolis.

THE Washington *Chronicle* says that Miss Nellie Grant's bridesmaids will be Miss Barnes, Miss Fish, Miss Conkling, Miss Frelinghuysen, Miss Porter, Miss Sherman, Miss Drexel and Miss Dent. The wedding will take place at 11 A. M. in the East Room, May 21. Colonel Frederick Grant will officiate as "best man." There will be no groomsmen.

MARY CLEMMER AMES writes: "Charles Sumner lived and died a moral hero to women. Such men alone appeal to the element of worship which lives ever in the unperverted woman. Few approached sufficiently near to discover any human blemish which might mar the grand proportions of their god. To their eyes he fulfilled in person the ideal of greatness, intellectual and moral."

THE absence of Miss Nilsson from Strakosch's benefit in New York on Tuesday night, notwithstanding that she was offered one thousand dollars to sing, excites comment. The friends of Miss Nilsson say that she consented to a material reduction on her contract price for singing when there was no corresponding reduction to the public. Also, that Strakosch had half of the profits of the benefits already given ostensibly to his artists.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

A CREMATION society is being organized at Concord, N. H.

EASTON, PA., is said to contain 800 more females than males.

THE deaths exceeded the births in New York last week by 132.

IT is estimated that there are 40,000 commercial travellers in the United States.

A CATFISH which three boys at Rock Island, Ill., recently captured, weighed sixty-three pounds.

A MAN in San Francisco was awarded $5,000 damages for the loss of a leg, by being run over by a railroad train.

IT is stated that while the railroads in British India scarcely pay more than expenses, the canals return large profits.

AN experienced matron is of the opinion that "kind words to a husband will go farther than a broomstick or a flat-iron."

IT has been said that a perfect dinner party is the highest product of civilization. Simply to eat is the first low necessity of savage life.

THE Michigan lumber yield of last winter is stated to have been 1,500,000,000 feet. For the present year the yield was 2,500,000,000 feet.

IT is said that if castor oil is mixed with glycerine and a few drops of oil of cinnamon added, the taste of the castor oil can scarcely be recognized.

AN uncle left eleven silver spoons to [illegible]hew in his will, adding, "He knows [illegible]y I have not left him the whole [illegible]hew had stolen one.

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INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

WORKS for the manufacture of fuel from coal screenings are to be erected at Port Richmond, on the Delaware, where the accumulation of coal dust is very great.

A COTTON MILL in Columbus, Ga., sold goods last year to the amount of $133,439, and realized thereon a net profit of $22,125. Its business was one-fourth greater than in the previous year, and was unaffected by the panic.

THE New England Glass Company has decided to refund its stockholders their capital stock of $500,000 and go out of business. It had incurred some losses since January, and was unwilling to run the risk of further liabilities.

THE Chicago *Tribune* says that first-class carpenters in that city, who were employed a year ago at $3 per day, are now glad to get $1.50 per day, and that this decline in the cost of labor runs through the whole scale of employments.

THE steamship Queen Elizabeth, which was totally lost near Gibraltar, had on board the most valuable cargo ever shipped from Calcutta. It included $1,650,000 worth of indigo, $250,000 of tea, and $415,000 of silk, shellac, and produce. The ship, &c., was worth $500,000, making the aggregate loss $2,675,000.

THE Franklin Institute of Philadelphia has resolved to celebrate the fiftieth year of its foundation by an exhibition of art and manufactures, to be held in that city from the 6th to the 31st of October next. The manufacturers and inventors of the United States have been invited to contribute to the proposed display, and compete for the prizes.

IN Birmingham, England, according to advices of the 28th ult., business was almost paralyzed, pending the settlement of the several wages questions, the most serious and pressing being that which has arisen between the colliers and their employers with reference to the proposed reduction of 25 and 18 cents on the thick and thin coal districts respectively.

A FIRM of Waterville, Me., are erecting a mill, 50x95, three stories, for the purpose of manufacturing hose frames. All the parts for an ordinary house can be had within a few days after the order is given. The building is entirely framed by machinery and ready to be erected. It is provided with machinery to plane every part, even to posts and sills. It will be the only one of the kind in the State.

FOREIGN.

JOHN LUCAS, the British political economist, is dead.

DURING the bombardment of Bilbao one hundred and fifty citizens were killed and wounded.

ADDITIONAL STRIKES of miners have been announced in England, and the prices of coal and iron have advanced in consequence.

GENERAL OLIO is said to have arrested four Brigadier Generals in the Carlist army on the charge of treason. Carlos will shortly issue a new proclamation to his troops. General Concha has been appointed General-in-Chief of the northern army.

STATE BREVITIES.

NEW Brighton is to have a chain works.

FOUR inches of snow at Ebensburg Tuesday.

THE Beaver County Poor House contains thirty-five paupers.

THE employes of the Shenango Iron Works have struck against scrip.

LITTLE Beaver Creek is reported to be headquarters for the greatest shoals of fish.

AN expensive pottery is an air castle at present at Smith's Ferry but may be molded into reality.

"SOUR-KROUT REUNIONS" are where the youth and beauty spend their evening hours at Bridgewater.

ROUSEVILLE mourns a ministerial void, every church in town save the Methodist being without a pastor.

THE crusaders at Oil City appealed to Court, and it is thought half the license applications will be refused.

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The number of applications refused at the April term was 18, including 4 hotels, 9 eating houses, and 2 wholesale houses.

THE Jackson House, the largest hotel in West Middlesex, was totally destroyed by fire between five and six o'clock last Sunday morning. The building was a three story frame, fronting 55 feet on Main street, and extending back 80 feet. The fire caught in the garret, to the east end of the building, near the chimney, it is supposed from a spark, as the flues throughout the house are said to have been in good condition. The hotel belonged to the heirs of Benj. Jackson, Sr. The loss, as we are informed by Mr. William Jackson (one of the heirs), will be between $6,000 and $8,000. The exact amount of insurance he could not state, but thinks it is about $4,000. A small building adjoining the hotel, belonging to Mrs. Henderson, was torn down to prevent the flames from spreading.

THE Oil City *Derrick* gives the following comparative statement of the oil shipments during February, March and April from the lower district. The figures comprise all oil shipped from all points below Emlenton by river and cars:

	Barrels.
April	605,655
March	438,000
February	390,000

This table shows an immense increase in shipments during the past month. The shipments in April were double those of January, and the corresponding increase during the last three months, and which still continues, can be accounted for in no other way than that the demand is greater than buyers would have the producers believe.

THE Bloomfield (Pa.) *Times* says: Last week Mr. Henry Kline, of Juniata township, brought to this office one of the most remarkable curiosities we ever saw. This consisted of a hen's egg, having a well developed snake inside the shell. The egg was one that was fresh and full size. When broken Mr. Kline noticed something mixed in the white of the egg which he thought he would take out. He therefore lifted it up, when he noticed it move, and closer examination showed a tongue dart out in the most approved snake fashion, while the eyes could be plainly seen. The snake was about two inches long and about as thick as a turkey quill, and almost colorless. The question which naturally arises is, how did it come there, and what would have been the result had the egg been hatched?

Table Manners—For Little Folks.

I send something for the little ones this morning, and I hope that to those who cannot read it will be read to them by fond mammas, who themselves will do well to take the hint the lesson teaches. I came across the lines several years ago, but never knew the author, who deserves to have them well preserved in every household:

In silence I must take my seat,
And give God thanks before I eat;
Must my food in patience wait,
'Till I am asked to hand my plate.
I must not scold, nor whine, nor pout,
Nor move my chair or plate about.
With knife, or fork, or napkin ring,
I must not play, nor must I sing.
I must not speak a useless word,
For children must be seen, not heard.
I must not talk about my food,
Nor fret if I don't think it good.
My mouth with food I must not crowd,
Nor while I'm eating speak aloud.
Must turn my head to cough or sneeze,
And when I ask, say, "If you please."
The table cloth I must not spoil,
Nor with my food my fingers soil.
Must keep my seat when I am done,
Nor round the table sport or run.
When told to rise, then I must put
My chair away with noiseless foot;
And lift my heart to God above,
In praise for all his wondrous love.
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Valuable Recipes.

Milk Cakes.—Take 1 egg and a pint sweet milk; add buckwheat flour until the batter is rather stiff; then add 1 teaspoonful yeast powder, a little salt; bake quickly. If liked very light, add more yeast powder.

Vinegar.—Take 2 gallons water and add 2½ lbs. brown sugar and 2 gills fresh yeast. Keep warm three or four days—then draw it off and add 2 ounces each cream tartar and chopped raisins; it will be ready for use in a few weeks if kept very warm at first.

Cheap Pudding.—Put in a tin pail 2 quarts of skimmed milk and set in a kettle of boiling water; when very hot, stir into it 1 pint of meal; take from the fire and add 1 teacup molasses, 1 teaspoonful salt and 1 of cinnamon; bake in a butter cake-pan; use cream sauce, flavored with nutmeg.

Corn Bread.—Take equal quantities of corn meal and flour (or rye flour); scald the meal by pouring a little boiling water on it; when nearly cold add the flour, the same quantity of yeast as used for other kinds of bread and a little melted lard and salt; make the dough stiff and knead it; put it in a warm place to rise, and bake it longer than other kinds of bread.

Dutch Sauce.—Put into a saucepan one tablespoonful of flour, two ounces of butter, two tablespoonfuls each of vinegar and water, the yelks of two eggs, and salt to taste; put over the fire and do not allow it to boil, but stir it constantly until thick; if it happens to curdle, strain the sauce through a strainer, add the juice of half a lemon, and serve in a sauce-boat.

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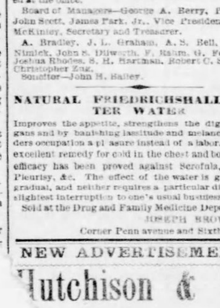

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At very Low Prices.
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Sponge Pillows, Sham Pillows, &c.
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PROCLAMATION.

ALLEGHENY CITY, SS:

I, D. NEILLIE, do issue this, my proclamation, that,

WHEREAS, a vacancy having occurred in the office of Mayor, of said city, and the Councils of said city having directed that an election be held to fill said vacancy, for the unexpired term, the freemen of said city qualified to vote for members of the House of Representatives of this Commonwealth, will meet at the several places of holding elections in their respective wards, on TUESDAY, the 12th day of May, A. D. 1874, and vote for one citizen for Mayor, to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.

The electors of the First ward will meet at the Public School House of said ward.

The electors of the Second ward will meet at the Public School House of said ward.

The electors of the third ward, First precinct, will meet at the Public School House of said precinct, and of the Second precinct at the Public School House of said precinct.

The electors of the Fourth ward, First precinct, will meet at the Public School House in said precinct, and of the Second precinct at the Public School House of said precinct.

The electors of the Fifth ward will meet at the Public School House of said ward.

The electors of the Sixth ward will meet at the Public School House of said ward.

The electors of the Seventh ward will meet at the public house of Lutz & Waltz, corner of Chestnut and O'Hara streets, in said ward.

The electors of the Eighth ward will meet at the Public School House of said ward.

The electors of the Ninth ward will meet at the Public School House of said ward.

The electors of the Tenth ward will meet at the Public School House No. 1 in said ward.

The electors of the Eleventh ward will meet at the Public School House No. 2 in said ward.

{SEAL} In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said city of Allegheny this 29th day of April, A. D. 1874.

D. NEILLIE,
Mayor.

PROCLAMATION!

CITY OF PITTSBURGH, SS.

I, JAMES BLACKMORE Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh, do issue this my Proclamation, that:

WHEREAS, D. W. C. CARROLL, member of Common Council from the second ward of the City of Pittsburgh, having presented his resignation as a member of said body, which said resignation has been accepted, the qualified voters of the [illegible] will assemble at the Public [illegible] on the [illegible] said second ward [illegible] DAY, the 19th day of May, A. D. 1874, and elect one person to serve as a member of Common Council for the unexpired term of said D. W. C. Carroll.

{L. S.} In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Pittsburgh this 4th day of May, A. D. 1874.

JAMES BLACKMORE,
Mayor.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.—WHEREAS, Letters Testamentary on the estate of DARTHULAW. INGALL, deceased, late of Temperanceville, Allegheny co., Pa. having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment and those having claims to present them duly authenticated for settlement at 54 Liberty street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

ROBERT T. MILLER,
JOS. W. MILLER,
Executors.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ACCOUNT of Charles P. Whitson, Committee of the estate of SAMUEL STEWART, a lunatic. In the Court of Common Pleas of Alleghany county, Pa., No. 744, December T., 1870. And now, April 18, 1874, account of Committee filed and the same will be confirmed on the first Monday of June, 1874, unless exceptions are filed thereto. By order of the Court.

CHAS. P. WHITSON, Committee.

OFFICIAL—PITTSBURGH.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
MUNICIPAL HALL, PITTSBURGH, May 6, 1874.

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DAILY GAZETTE.

FINANCIAL.

Latest Advices Concerning Money and Stock Matters.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, THURSDAY, May 7, 1874.

We are gratified to be able to report an improved demand for money at the banks, on the basis of acceptable commercial paper. That offered, however, yesterday, was chiefly short time paper, indicating that business men are as cautious in making and offering notes, as are the banks in accepting them. Just why this is so it is difficult to say. It probably indicates a purpose to keep near the shore, in view of the prevailing uncertainty relative to financial affairs. Business, in its general features, is evidently improving, a fact which may be credited to the brighter weather. The same may be said of the higher forms of iron manufacture—orders being tolerably large and profitable.

The whole financial issue rests upon Congress, and the prevailing belief is that it will do nothing. Leading Radical Senators say that a majority of the Senate Finance Committee manifest no disposition to frame a bill satisfactory to the West and South. The expansion members of the Committee offered to yield two points, first on the policy of contraction, and second to allow a provision for redemption of any addition to its issue of national bank notes, but even this failed to satisfy Mr. Sherman. A bill will be agreed upon by a majority of the committee, but not of a character to satisfy a majority of the Senate. If, however, Mr. Washburn is called to the head of the Treasury Department, it will inspire renewed confidence and business strength.

The stock flurry continues. The Governor of Wisconsin has declared his purpose to enforce the law against the northwestern railroads.

A reporter had an interview with Mr. M. L. Sykes, the Vice President of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, in reference to the position of that company on this question. Mr. Sykes said that his company would not obey the law, as they are advised by Judge Hoar, Wm. M. Evarts, and other eminent lawyers, that the law in question was unconstitutional. They were advised that they accepted the law under protest it might be taken as a surrender of their charter, and they therefore were not complying with the law, nor had they any intention of doing so, until the matter was finally acted upon by the Supreme Court of the United States. In the meantime the stock is greatly depressed.

A statement has been made to the stockholders of Pacific Mail, which is very flattering. "The cash assets on hand and to be realized within sixty days from this date show an excess of $112,143 over the entire liabilities of your company, after paying in full for the eight new iron steamers. *In other words, it belongs to the stockholders, and no bondholders or creditors have any interest in it.*

"There will be a meeting of the stockholders on the 19th May to elect Directors for the ensuing year."

Luther S. Kaufman, Broker, No. 96 Fourth Avenue, furnishes the following quotations of bonds and stocks from the latest advices by telegraph:

	Opened.	Closed
Gold	112¾	112¾
U. S. 6ixes—1881—coupon	121¼	121¼
5-20 1862	114	114¼
5-20—1864.	110¼	110¼
" 1865	111¼	111¼
" 1865 new.	110¾	110¾
" 1867.	120¾	120¾
" 1868—coupons	119¾	119¾
10-40's	114¾	114¾
Currency 6's	116¾	116¾
New 5 per cents	115	115
10-40's—coupons	114¾	114¾
RAILWAYS.		
New York Central	97¾	97¾
Erie	31¾	31¾
L. C.	10¾	10¾
B. H & E.	1¾	1¾
C. C. I. C.	19¾	19¾
Pacific Mail	23¾	23¾
Do Preferred	48	50
Michigan Southern	74¾	74¾
Do. Central	78	78
North Western Common	42¾	42¾
Do. Preferred	80	87
Rock Island	88	97
Cleveland & Pittsburgh	93¾	93¾
Pacific Mail	43¾	43¾
Western Union Telegraph	70¾	72¾
Ohio & Mississippi	24¾	24¾
Illinois Central	31¾	31¾
Ohio & Pacific	39¾	39¾
Toledo & Wabash	20¾	20¾
Harlem	103	10 ¾
Chicago and Alton	98¾	98
Adams Express	63¾	63¾
American Express	72	67
Wells, Fargo & Co. Express	17¾	15
Canton	40	
Terre Haute	17¾	17¾
Panama	93	93
Fort Wayne	98¾	98¾
Hannibal and St. Joseph.	28¾	28¾
Do. preferred	34	

Messrs. Robinson Bros., bankers, No. 13 Fourth Avenue, furnish the following quotations of the live stock on the Philadelphia Stock Board to-day:

	Bid.	Asked.
Penna. Central	80¾	
" scrip	80¾	
Reading	66¾	67
United Cos. of N. J.	123	123¾
Oil Creek	4	
Lehigh Valley	60¾	60¾
A. V. R. R. 7-30	93	93
Central Transportation	53¾	53¾
Empire do.	53	53½

NEW YORK, May 6, 1874.

The Treasury disbursements were $482,000, and the customs receipts $375,000. Money was easy at 3@4 per cent., and the supply abundant; prime discounts 5½@7. Sterling was firm at 487¼@488 for sixty days, and 490¼@491 for sight. Gold ranged at 112@112¼, closing at the latter price. The carrying rates were 2¼@4. The clearings amounted to $43,000,000. State bonds were dull. Tennessees declined slightly. Railroad bonds were steady. Governments were quiet and steady. The stock market was firmer at the opening of business this morning, at ¼@1 per cent. better prices than at the closing last evening. Later on the market became weak, and a general decline occurred along the list. During the afternoon leading stocks were irregular, but in the main higher, the advance from the lowest point of the day ranging ½ to 2¾ per cent. The improvement was caused by dispatches from Washington announcing the report [illegible] finance bill by the Senate Finance Committee, but at the close there was a reaction of ¼@1 from the highest prices, with a weak and feverish feeling. The most active stocks were Western Union, Pacific Mail, Union Pacific, N. Paul, Rock Island Lake Shore, Northwest, Wabash and Ohio's. The sales between ten and two o'clock were 193,000 shares, of which 50,000 were Western Union, 43,000 Union Pacific, 16,000 Pacific Mail, 12,000 St. Paul, 28,000 Lake Shore, 9,000 Northwest, and 6,000 Rock Island.

Governments.—U. S. coupons of 1881, 1014@5-32s of '62, 1144@ do of '64, 1154@ do of '65, 1174@ do. new, 1164@ do of '67, 1204@ do '68, 1194@ new 5s, 1154@1144; cur'cy 6's, 1164@. State Bonds.—Missouri, 94¾; Tennessee, old, 84½; do new, 82½; Virginia, new, 70; do old, 70; North Carolina old, 34; do new, 12¾.

Stocks.—Canton, 40; Western Union Telegraph 72¾; Adams Express, 66; American Express, 66; Wells, Fargo & Co. Express, 67; Union Central, 97½; Erie, 30¾; do preferred, 85; Hudson, 97; Harlem, 127; Reading, 67; Michigan Central, 78; Michigan Southern, 74¾; Illinois Central, 93; Cleveland & Pittsburgh, 93½; Chicago & Rock Island, 97¾; Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago, 98; Northwestern, 42¾; do preferred, 87¾; Toledo & Wabash, 20¼; do preferred, 34; Illinois Central, 31¼; Chicago & Alton, 98; do preferred, 113; Ohio & Mississippi, 24¼; Cleveland, Columbus & Cincinnati, 103; Burlington & Quincy, 119; Lake Shore, 74¾; Panama, 93¼; Illinois Central, 100; Union Pacific, 43¾; Cumberland & Pittsburg, 30; Hartford & Erie, 19½; Delaware & Lackawanna, 107.

LONDON, May 6—5 P. M.—Consols: money 93¾@93¾; account 93¾; 5-20's of '65, 105¾; do. of '67, 103¾; 10-40's, 104¾; new 5's, 104¼. New York Central, 98; Erie, 32¼; do preferred 51¾.

PARIS, May 6.—Rentes, 85.82½.

FRANKFORT, M 7 6.—5-20's of '62, 86¾.

The Disputes in the Coal and Iron Trades.

The General Council of the Cleveland Ironstone Miners, representing a body of 3300 men, met yesterday at Saltburn, to consider the question of the reduction of 2d ₰ ton in their wages. The council passed a resolution that, having failed to find sufficient evidence to prove that the employers could with justice make such a claim, they would ask for an interview at the earliest opportunity for the purpose of discussing the whole question. An open air demonstration of three thousand persons afterward took place, when Mr. Grieves, the miners secretary, and others spoke. Our Wolverhampton correspondent telegraphs that there is now no danger of the existing combination in the coal and iron trades being increased by the operatives at the finished iron works in south Staffordshire declining to accept the reduction in wages their employers have declared imperative. The fears entertained yesterday that the Staffordshire ironworkers would strike are removed. The Chatterly Company have given a fortnight's notice to over a thousand miners in their employ to leave work, on account of the depressed state of the coal trade. The company intend to close about a dozen of their pits in the neighborhood of Tunstall. It is feared that other coal masters may follow this example.—*London News*, April 15.

Cincinnati Iron Market.

CINCINNATI, May 5—The demand for pig iron during the last week was a little better but prices continue depressed. European advices especially adverse as to the iron trade, are adding to the general stagnation in this country, and will assist in prolonging the unfavorable condition of trade in general. Even the present figures can not be maintained except through a diminished production

COMMERCIAL.

Condition of the Markets at Home and Abroad.

PITTSBURGH MARKETS.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, WEDNESDAY, May 6, 1874.

The general markets continue quiet and present nothing really new or important: business, as stated in our last report, has been considerably curtailed recently by the inclement weather, but it is expected there will soon be an improvement in the demand for the leading staple articles, and it is earnestly desired that these expectations may be fully realized. In regard to values, there have been no important changes recently, to which reference has not already been made.

APPLES—There is a moderate demand and we can report regular sales at $4¼@6¼ ₰ bbl, according to quality.

APPLE BUTTER—7@8c ₰ gallon.

BEANS—$2@2 25 ₰ bushel.

BUTTER—The market continues weak, although prices within the past 24 hours have undergone no quotable change; prime to choice roll, 3@33c; fair to medium, 24@28. Dealers generally are not disposed to realize, being apprehensive of an early break, as all that is wanting is a little fine weather.

CANDLES—Tallow, 8½@9 ₰ bbl.

CHEESE—Sales, in a jobbing way, 12@13 for new Ohio Dairy; 16@17 for new Ohio Factory, and 15@16 for prime to fancy New York.

COUNTRY BACON—Country Shoulders, 7¾@ 8; Clear Sides, 9@9½c; Hams, 9¾@10c. Country Lard, 8@8½c.

DRIED FRUIT—Apples, 9@11 for quartered; 18@19 for sliced. Peaches, 10@12 for quarters and sliced, 14@15 for prime halves and 18@20 for peeled.

EGGS—The market has undergone no quotable change since the date of our last report: 16@17.

FLOUR—Spring Wheat flours, $7@7.50—the outside figure for choice Minnesotas; $7.75@8.25 for red winter, and $9@11 for white. Rye Flour, $6.

GROCERIES—There is nothing new or particularly important to record in regard to Coffee; another Rio teleg am, under date of April 16, has been received, the general tone of which is regarded as being more favorable to the holding interest than the last dispatch, although it does not seem to have imparted any strength to the seaboard markets, as our latest dispatches from there report business as being dull and prices unchanged. Refined Sugars continue very firm in sympathy with raws, and higher prices seem almost certain. Syrups are also very firm and in full jobbing demand. The stock of Rio Coffee in first hands on Monday last was as follow: New York, 97,000 bags; Galveston, 2,600; Baltimore, 1,000; Boston, 4,000. Total, 104,600.

COFFEE—Choice Rio, 23; prime, 20; good, 18, fair, 17¾. Roasted, 30 for 1 pound packages; 100 lbs, $26.

MOLASSES—Strictly prime new crop New Orleans, 58c; good to prime, 70@75.

RICE—Choice Carolina, 8¾; Patna, 8¾c; Rangoon, 6@8¾c.

SYRUPS—Extra White Drips, 70c; Sugar Drips, 60c; Amber, 60@65; lower grades, 40@50, as to quality.

SUGARS—Patent Cut Loaf, 13¾; Crushed, Powdered and Granulated, 13¾c; Standard A, 10¾; B, 10¼; Ex. C, 10; Circle C, 9¾; Franklin Extra C, 9¾; Franklin No. 2 Extra C, 9¾; American Extra C, 9¾; Union Extra C, 9¾; Keystone A, 10¾, as to quality.

GRAIN—There is but little Wheat offering, and so far as we can learn, not much inquiry for it; in the absence of sales, we continue to quote at $1 25@1 40 for red and 7 to 10 cents more for white, according to quality. The arrivals of Oats continue quite liberal, but there is no disposition on the part of dealers to offer freely at regard them as good stock at present quotations, 59@60c. Corn, both shelled and ear, continues to come in sparingly, and as the supply is scarcely equal to the demand holders have no difficulty in realizing full rates, 62@65c for good mixed to prime yellow. There is little or nothing doing in Rye, and in the absence of sales, we continue to quote at 90@$1.05.

HOMINY—$5@5.50 ₰ bbl.

HAY—The demand continues fairly active, and prices are fully sustained, we continue to quote $20@22 ₰ ton for No. 1 timothy and $18@20 for mixed.

POTATOES—Are still coming in pretty freely, but the recent advance is fully sustained; quotable, in a jobbing way, at $1 45@1 50 ₰ bushel, the outside figure for prime Peach Blows.

PROVISIONS—Hams—Extra Sugar Cured, 13¾ ₰ lb; canvassed, 13¾; Shoulders—Extra Sugar Cured, 9¾; canvassed, 9¾. Breakfast Bacon—Sugar Cured, 11c; Canvassed, 12¾. Dried Beef—Extra Sugar Cured, 16¾; canvassed, 17. Beef Tongues—Sugar Cured, $1 ₰ dozen. Pickled—Shoulders, 8½c ₰ lb; Rib Sides, 10; Short Rib Sides, 10¾; Clear Rib Sides, 11. Mess Pork, ₰ bbl, $14 50—Prime Mess, $13@13 50. Lard—Refined summer use in tierces, 11¾; half bris, 12¾; buckets, 12¾; in 5 lb caddies, 13¾; in 5 lb do, 14. Ham Sausage, 10.

POULTRY—Live chickens, 75@85 ₰ pair.

SEEDS—Clover Seed still quotable at $6 75@7, and Timothy at $2 @3 25; Flax Seed $2 25@2 30.

TALLOW—The market is steady to dull demand, and we can report regular sales at 6¾@7 ₰ lb.

PITTSBURGH LIVESTOCK MARKET

CENTRAL STOCK YARDS, EAST LIBERTY, WEDNESDAY, May 6, 1874.

Following were arrivals of the different kinds of stock from and including Sunday up until noon to-day, which in order to afford a comparison we append those of the corresponding time last week:

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
Sunday	110 cars	54 cars	5 car
Monday	69 "	16 "	2 "
Tuesday	128 "	34 "	26 "
Wednesday—till noon	13 "	29 "	22 "
Total	353 "	133 "	55
same time last week	326 "	141 "	31

CATTLE.

Trade up to this writing shows a decided improvement, as compared with what it has been of late: the best evidence of which is that the sales from and including Sunday up until noon to-day foot up 1,057 head, against 371 head during the corresponding time last week; and while, as might be expected, there is a very decided increase, one hundred and nine cars is a excess, as compared with the corresponding time last week, the supply seems to be pretty well made up of through cattle larger, but the supply of local stock, shipped in by the drovers, is not at all more liberal than it has been for some time past. However, with an increased demand, prices have already improved, in sellers favor, and the feeling generally is much improved, although there is still plenty of room for improvement, but in regards demand and sales the best we have seen for the market has given any indication of a change for the better during the past two months, and we are in hopes that the stagnation which has prevailed during the period in question is about over. Up until noon to-day 25 cars had been purchased for Philadelphia, whereas at the same time last week the purchasers, if we remember correctly, were only three or four cars. Simon Urry had also three cars for New York, and in addition to the regular eastern shippers, there was an unusually large number of ugliest and thin character of the State, who generally buy from one to two cars each.

In point of quality there is not much difference as compared with last week: the bulk of the offerings may be classified medium to good; fully prime shipping steers are in light supply and the same is true of scalawags. Drovers from the Westlayer think there is no occasion for the restrictions where cattle are usually fed, but affirm that feeders are not willing to sell them for prices that drovers can afford to pay. Every backward spring in the Southwest is likely to largely reduce the supply from that quarter, and it is believed that the stock in the corn belt will be needed at good prices. Prime stock is too low in this market, as compared with the Eastern markets, particularly Chicago, whose source of supply just now for this particular kind. There was a bunch of cattle on sale today, averaging 1,450 lbs, that sold at $5 50 in Chicago, not be obtained here, and we are doubtful whether they will bring over $5 40 at that, and any one who has any knowledge of the business knows that 25c ₰ cwt will not pay cost of transportation and over loss by shrinkage. This bunch of cattle, it is fair to conclude that good cattle will not be any lower in this market during the next sixty days on the contrary, the indications are all point in the contrary direction.

QUOTATIONS.

Extra 1,400@1,500 steers.	6,50@6,75
Prime 1,200@1,400 steers	6,00@6,25
Good 1,000@1,100 steers	5,50@5,75
Bulls, as to quality	3,00@4,50
Mixed rough stock	3,50@4,50

SHEEP.

We intimated in our report of Saturday, last, that the market for this class of stock was likely to hold its own, and our expectations have been more than realized. Notwithstanding the universal up to this writing, show an excess of 21 cars, as compared with the corresponding time last week, the market is to-day about equal to the demand, and prices have still further advanced: since last Monday week, there has been an advance of fully one cent ₰ lb, and those who are been fortunate enough to get their sheep here have realized a handsome margin. We believe we are safe in stating that nearly all the stock on sale here during the time in question, yielded an average profit of one hundred dollars per car; we heard of some instances where the profit was over two hundred: not only have the western men had a harvest, but those who bought here and shipped east, did still better, as prices have advanced more east than here. Clipped Sheep are selling this week at 6@7¾, according to quality. There were very few, if any, remaining unsold at noon, they are being picked up just as fast as they come in, and that too, at very full prices. Extra fine clipped Sheep (quotable at 8¾@9c) 100@120 lbs, 72@8: Indianas, same weights half a cent less: Clipped, prime 90@100 lbs, 7¾@7¾; 80@90 lbs, 6¾@7¾; common, same weights, 6@6¾. Sale 3 cars good 90 lbs, (clipped) at 7,40; 1 car (clipped) 92 lbs, 7¾: 1 car prime 105 lbs, (wooled) 9.

HOGS.

The arrivals have been liberal thus far, but mostly common in point of quality, hence, while the latter, in consequence of an oversupply, have been very dull and lower: prime heavy hogs have held their own, and the market for all kinds was a little firmer in tone to day, and it is worthy of notice that prices are lower here, relatively, than in the west, our main source of supply. Fair to prime Yorkers may be quoted at 4¾@5¼. Ed. Smith reported heavy hogs, 6@6¼c. Ed. Smith reported heavy hogs, 6@6¼c. Simon Urry had one hundred and fifty six hogs, average weight 185 lbs, and average price 5 35. Prime Philadelphia hogs are scarce, very scarce, and prices are fully sustained 6.00@6,10, and a further advance within next 48 hours is not unlikely

PITTSBURGH PETROLEUM MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, WEDNESDAY, May 6, 1874.

Trade continues the same unsettled and demoralized condition, more so than at any time this year, but it is hoped and expected that there will soon be a change for the better. It appears that the Standard Oil Company of Cleveland are responsible mainly for the unsatisfactory course of the market, they having been offering, and selling refined down in New York for the purpose of breaking down Cleve, and it is to be presumed they have succeeded. It seems that this company didn't buy Crude when it was down low, but held back in hope of it going still lower, and when they back too long and let the golden opportunity pass without taking advantage, Pittsburgh refiners, on the other hand, continued to buy right along, and as a consequence the great majority of them have large stocks of Crude, a good deal of which was laid in at very low rates. Our refiners bought it because they were satisfied it was good property, while the "Standard Company" refused to buy in hopes of a further decline, and in so doing good in their own light. Crude was quoted to-day at $1.60 ₰ bri at Parker, for immediate shipment. Sales of three barges here at 4¾ cents ₰ gallon. Refined is also as badly demoralized, hence there are no established rates; the Standard is reported as having sold July and August in New York as low as 15¾.

(Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

SMITH'S FERRY, Beaver Co., Pa., May 6, 1874.

Crude oil at C. & P. R. R. Station 9 bri. $7.50 at wells, $1.36.

CRUDE OIL RECEIVED BY ALLEGHENY VALLEY RAILROAD.

Shipper	Consignee	Bbls.
N. W. Stevenson	Liberty O. W.	474
Irwin & Co	American O. W	9 9
Bushnell	Standard O. W.	394
Bushnell	National O. W.	531
Fisher Bros	Eureka O. W.	261
Fisher Bros	Loomis & Co O. W.	220
Total		2,616

Receipts Pig Metal, Ore and Blooms

CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH R. R.

Dilworth P and Co p	4	Lloyd & Bo
W Clark & Co o	2	Thoenberger & Co o
J Morrison d b	5	Pig Iron Co o
Total		

PENNA CENTRAL.

J W Porter & Co m	2	Nimick & Co m
John Barnes m	2	
Total		

Lumber.

CHICAGO, May 5—Lumber fairly active and steady but at the lower range of prices; joists and scantling, $9@9 50 for medium to choice; strips and boards, 10@10 50 for poor to choice; $7 run.

RIVER NEWS.

State of the Rivers, Movements of Steamboats, &c.

OFFICE OF OBSERVATION, SIGNAL SERVICE N. S. ARMY.—DAILY REPORTS OF THE STAGE OF WATER, WITH CHANGES IN THE 24 HOURS ENDING 3 P. M.

Pittsburgh, May 6, 1874.

Stations.	Above Low water—gage ft.	Change in 24 hours ft.	Wind.	Weather.
Boonville, Mo.	8	6	S	Cloudy.
Brownsville, Pa	4	—8	W	Clear.
Brunswick, Mo	3	10	—8	SW	Clear.
Cairo Ill.	44	11	NW	Clear.
Cincinnati, O.	36	4	—9	S	Fair.
Confluence, Pa.	3	3	+7	NW	Fair.
Davenport, Ia.	7	6	—1	E	Cloudy.
Evansville, Ind.	38	7	—7	W	Cloudy.
Freeport, Pa.	4	5	—2	NW	Fair.
Helena,	44	5	+3	SE	Fair.
Hermann, Mo.	7	5	—1	Calm	Clear.
Jefferson City,	8	2	—4	NW	Clear.
Kansas City, Mo	7		—4	N	Clear.
Keokuk, Iowa.	7	9	+1	NE	Fair.
Leavenworth,	1	8	—3	N	Clear.
Lexington, Mo.	4	8	—4	E	Clear.
Louisville, Ky.	8		—4	E	Fair.
Little Rock,	8	7	—1	9	S	Clear.
Louisville, Ky.,	17	6	—1	2	W	Fair.
Marietta, O.	16	6	—2	0	NW	Cloudy.
Memphis, Tenn.	34	6	—2	NW	Clear.
Nashville, Tenn.	23	4	—3	4	NW	
New Geneva, Pa.	2	6		N	Fair.
Paducah, Ky.	44	4	—2	SE	Clear.
Pittsburgh, Pa.	9	6	+1	NW	Fair.
Shreveport, La.	29	6	—3	N	Clear.
St. Joseph, Mo.	3	6	—2	NW	Clear.
St. Louis, Mo.,	17	3	1	1	N	Clear.
St. Paul, Minn.	8	5	—2	NW	Clear.
Warsaw, Ills.	8	5		NE	Clear.

The river has been about stationary during the past 24 hours, with nine feet four inches in the channel. Weather was clear and pleasant, but business on the landing was rather slow; the shipments were not as large as they have been recently.

The Maille Ragon departed for Wheeling, after having laid here several days for repairs.

The towboats Samuel Clark and Samuel Miller arrived, and the Messenger from Nashville, and Juniata from Cincinnati, are among the first boats due.

The Mollie Ebert, Captain F. Y. Batchelor, is announced for St. Louis forthwith; she is an excellent passenger steamer, and withal a big trader.

The Allegheny was reported falling at Oil City yesterday, with two feet eight in her in channel was entirely stationary at Brownsville, with 9 feet 5 inches.

The H. W Skillinger departed for Cincinnati last evening with a fair trip.

We presume the Messenger will head here again for Nashville, as she seems to be regularly in the trade.

The Mary Davage, Captain J. W. Batchelor, is filling up steadily for St. Louis, and will soon be ready to take her departure.

Captain Thomas Poe will no doubt be in the field shortly for a trip to St. Louis with the A. J. Baker and his two new barges. Possibly he is waiting until prices get a little better.

Steamboatmen are all highly elated over the passage of the Louisville and Portland canal bill.

We find the following in the St. Louis Globe of Tuesday, in regard to the McMillan capstan: A case of great importance to steamboat owners was decided yesterday, as follows: S. McMillan et al vs James L. Huse. The application for an injunction in this case to compel James L. Huse to cease using the steam capstan on his towboats, on the ground that he was infringing the McMillan patent for steam capstans, was argued yesterday in the United States Court before Judge Treat, when he refused to grant the injunction, but ordered the defendant would give bond for his royalty; the defendant to continue the use of the capstan until the determination of this suit in the United States Supreme Court to test its validity. This places the case just where the owners desire it to be, all of them being willing to pay Captain McMillan for the patent if he is entitled to it, but it has been contested on the ground that the application of steam had been made to capstans years before the letters-patent had been granted McMillan. The final decision will be given by the United States Supreme Court, in a short time, no doubt.

A St. Louis paper of Sunday says: 40 and 50 cents an hour has been paid by the Keokuk Northern Line boats. The "gilt-edged" Packet Paragon left with 1,500 tons, including 400 tons pig iron for Pittsburgh, ore for Wheeling and hemp, fire clay, flour, furniture, shipstuff, &c. She had been some forty passengers on account of having no accommodations for travellers. Elijah Pearce and Joseph H Williams are her pilots. The Ed Hobbs left the ore pile last evening with 1,100 tons of ore for Wheeling. The Warsaw and Fire Belle loaded with pig iron and ore for Pittsburgh. He will clear next week with 1,500 tons. Stillwell, Powell & Co. the steamboat firm so well known here, have recently received their final discharge yesterday, and the estate was declared settled up. They have boated during the past year in steamboating $600,000.

—The Cincinnati "Commercial" says: Captain Frank Richardson, while in Louisville last Sunday, learned that after the Thompson Dean had spent three hours at the Louisville Canal, relieving freight for the Southern sufferers, which the boat transported free of charge, on which the freight bill would have amounted to $30, she charged the modest sum of $25 for wharfage. Our Louisville neighbors ought not to call Cincinnati a picayune town after this proceeding.

—The St. Louis "Democrat" of Tuesday says: Captain McMillan arrived Saturday from Pittsburgh. His injunction suit to restrain Huse & Loomis, the towboat owners, from using the McMillan patent steam capstan, came to a decision rendered. We understand that the defendant was required to give bond for several hundred dollars to indemnify McMillan for certain contingencies. We understand that Captain McMillan intends to proceed with a number of similar prosecutions.

—Tallahatchie and Yazoo Rivers have been higher during the present flood at many places than was ever known before. At Belzoni, where the water was seven inches higher than in 1867, and at the town of Greenwood, Main Street is under water. In the Mississippi bas driven the deer and other game out of the swamps, and even into some of the towns of the State. On Big Black there were several bucks and does running the streets of Natchez and some killed.

—The steamer Pike is making excursions from New Orleans for the benefit of Southern sufferers. She turned over more than six hundred dollars to the committee last week, as a result of one trip.

—Commodore Packett's Smoky City run from Helena to Memphis, 60 miles in 6 hours, and from Natchez 1, Memphis, 341 miles in 14 hours and 20 minutes. Time with a big river, loose and two barges and two stern-wheelers.

—Two million two hundred and fifty six bushels of coal were received at Louisville last month from Pittsburgh.

[*For Latest River News see Fourth Page.*]

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HOME NEWS.

Letters Held for Postage, May 6, 1874.

Martha Hazzard, Uniontown, Pa., 3c; Henry Hart, New Albany, Ind., 3c; George Magee, Sloans Station, O., 3c; Miss Mary Shannon, Whitestown, Pa., 3c; G. M. Supelle, Connellsville, Pa., 3c. E. C. NEGLEY, P. M.

Suspicious Characters.

John Williams, John Mack and James Robinson were arrested in the Diamond this morning by Officer Huffmeyer, where they were trying to enter a restaurant at the corner of Market street. A bunch of keys, an iron bar, and a box of matches were found in their possession.

Lieut. Governor.

James Sill, Esq., of Erie, has been named by many friends as a candidate for the office of Lieut. Governor. Mr. Sill is a prominent member of the Erie bar. He is a son of the late Thomas H. Sill, who formerly represented that district in Congress—he is known for unwavering fidelity to the Republican party, and no gentleman yet named possesses higher qualities for an honorable and able discharge of the duties of the office. If Mr. Sill should receive the nomination strength would be added to the party, especially in the northwestern counties and, indeed he is favorably known throughout the State.

Prison Reform.

The Governor has appointed the following gentlemen to represent the State at the meeting of the National Prison Reform Association to be held at St. Louis on the 13th inst. From Pittsburgh: George R. White, Henry Corbier, Theo. H. Nevin, Rev. J. S. Milligan, T. J. Bigham. Philadelphia: Jos. R. Chandler, John M. Morris, Richard Vaux, Mahlon H. Dickerson and Diller Souther.

A meeting of this delegation will be held on Saturday next, at 11 A. M., in the gentlemen's parlor, Monongahela House, to make the necessary arrangements.

Bill in Equity.

In the District Court yesterday a bill in equity was filed on behalf of Elizabeth Swartz, Sarah Redman and John Butterfield against Mrs. Mary A. Butterfield. It is claimed that by a deed of conveyance, executed by John Butterfield, August 3, 1850, the defendant became the owner, in trust for plaintiffs, of certain real estate in Sharpsburg. It is alleged that she has rendered no account of her fiduciary conduct, and submitted no statements showing the manner in which the estate has been managed, or making an exhibit of the profits accruing from it. The Court is asked to compel the defendant to file an account or order the sale of the property and the division of the proceeds among the plaintiffs.

Journalistic.

WE ARE in receipt of the first number of the *St. Peter's Quarterly Record*, a very neat and remarkably interesting parish journal, issued by Rev. Dr. Spalding, of St. Peter's church. The issue will be made monthly. It is printed on tinted paper, and contains items of intelligence of peculiar interest to members of the Church. The idea of publishing such a journal is original and good itself, and worthy of being widely imitated.

OUR Catholic Irish friends have a new candidate for their favor in the *Hibernian*, an eight page weekly, of which the irrepressible Dr. Donnelly is one the principal proprietors, and T. N. Sacks, editor. It is well edited, in its several departments, and impresses us as a journal destined to popularity and success.

African M. E. Church Appointments.

The following appointments were made at the late session of the Conference of this church, held at Washington, Pa.:

Pittsburgh District—Wylie street Chapel, to be supplied; Allen street Chapel, T. A. Thompson; Meadville Circuit, J. M. Morris.

Wheeling District—Brown Chapel, Allegheny, W. H. Brown; Wheeling Circuit, Wm. Johnstone; Clarksburg Mission, W. C. West.

Altoona District—Bellefonte Chapel, A. A. Williams; Williamsport Station, Geo. H. Steemer; Lewistown, H. J. Hutkins.

Brownsville District—Brownsville Chapel, S. T. Jones; Uniontown Circuit, Robert Turner; Waynesburg Mission, supplied by J. Cyrus.

Washington District—Washington Circuit, W. A. J. Phillips; Monongahela Circuit, Benj. Wheeler.

WROUGHT-IRON PIPE.

National Convention of the Manufacturers.

Yesterday afternoon a National Convention of wrought iron pipe manufacturers assembled in the office of Messrs. Evans, Dalzell & Co., No. 165 First avenue. Nearly all the business centres of the country are represented. The object of the meeting is to take into consideration the state of the trade, to make a uniform scale of prices and to discuss and advance the interests of the trade generally. The proceedings are held secret, and reporters are not admitted. It is expected that the Convention will conclude its labors to-day.

FATALLY SCALDED.

Sad Accident to a Child.

On Tuesday afternoon a little son of Mr. Morris Freel, residing on Liberty near Fifth street, came home from school, and in his childish hurry, ran against a servant girl who was carrying a bucket of boiling water through the room. The scalding water was upset over his person and running down his back and neck, inflicted most painful and terrible injuries. Dr. McDonald was summoned and did all he could to relieve the little sufferer, but the boy died from the effects of the scalds yesterday morning at ten o'clock. He was but five years old.

DIED OF HIS INJURIES.

Fatal Accident in the Twelfth Ward.

On Tuesday afternoon Andrew Kelly tried to board a train on the Allegheny Valley Railroad at Park's mill in the Twelfth ward. Unfortunately, he missed his footing and fell under the cars, his legs and arms being crushed. He was picked up and carried to the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, where he died from his injuries. Deceased resided with Alexander Cook on the Soho Side, and was a man 39 years old. His remains were taken to Whitham's undertaking establishment, No. 140 Fifth avenue extension, where Coroner McCallin will hold an inquest this evening.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

A Boy's Skull Crushed in by the Kick of a Horse.

About four o'clock yesterday afternoon, a butcher named M. Kaufman, drove up Arch street to near Jackson street, Allegheny, where he stopped and handed the reins to a boy named Arthur Quinn, who accompanied him, and then jumped out of the wagon. A few minutes after the horse became frightened and started to run away. The boy followed behind to catch the animal, which at once kicked at him, striking him on the head with one of its hoofs, crushing in his skull. The horse was caught a moment afterwards and the injured lad removed into a house near by and Drs. Herron, Buchanan and Bigger summoned. He was removed to the residence of his aunt at the corner of River avenue and Grantham street, as soon as his injuries were attended to. He resides on Fifth avenue near Soho. It is thought that he may recover.

ANOTHER CHANCE TO APPEAL.

The Committee on Appeals to Review the Revisors' Work.

The Committee on Appeals of Councils will reopen and revise, where it is thought just and proper, the assessments recently passed upon by the Board of Revisors, and a meeting has been held at which arrangements were completed to begin the work. This action has been taken by direction of Councils, because many property holders failed to get satisfaction in their applications to the Board and in order that no cause for complaint may be entertained by those who think their valuation still remains at too high figures will have another and last opportunity to get the necessary corrections made all appeals must be filed with the City Clerk previous to the 15th inst., and the committee will not hear any complaints before that date. The rule adopted will not admit of the consideration of appeals on improved property other than as a whole, as was the custom before Revisors, who decided on the valuations of houses and lots separately. This is a wise course, as frequently lots have been assessed too low, while the houses built on them have been placed at too high a figure, and the reverse, but the two mistakes make the aggregate about right.

"CLEANING OUT" A SALOON.

A Desperate Character in Custody.

Last night between eleven and twelve o'clock an individual who gives his name as James Mooney entered the grocery saloon on Twenth street and called for whisky. Whatever may be the result of the crusade, it is well enough to state, that two drinks of "bug juice" are still worth a quarter in scrip. Now it so happened that "Jim" had not the wherewithal, but he swallowed the "stimulant" with a peculiar gusto, having finished it, he called for another. The gentle youth who dealt the "fiery," as James was retiring, gently insinuated that "money" was the word, which would tend to say equivalent in currency for the "potion," was the next thing in order. Mooney wasn't that kind of a fish. Before the barkeeper had time to say more, he was laying upon the floor and beer glasses and things were flying around most lively. Mooney was having his own way, when officer Stewart stepped in, but the prisoner showed fight. With the assistance of officer Pahley he was taken to the lock up. Along Smithfield street he made night hideous by his unearthly yells, and his actions in the Central Station betokened him to be a desperate character, as it took three men to put him in a cell. Perhaps after an interview with Acting Mayor McMasters, he'll not be so savage.

SCHARFF MATCHED.

The Documents Signed and the Race to Come off June 24.

It seems the aspirants for honors in aquatic sports have at last agreed to settle their differences and show the public what they can accomplish with scull boats and spruces. At least, such is the case with Billy Scharff, of the South Side, and James Ten Eyck, of Rockhill, New York, and unless they conclude to differ again as to some of the conditions of the proposed race, we may expect an exciting pull on the Hudson on the 24th of June. Ten Eyck covered Scharff's deposit of $100 at the N. Y. *Clipper* office on the 24th inst., and signed articles regulating the contest.

They provide for a three mile race at Peekskill on the day mentioned above at the hour of high water (for which examina nautical almanac), the boats towing for choice of position and to proceed on the voyage at the word "Go," propounded by Benj. F. Brady, Commodore of the Saratoga Rowing Association. Whichever of the young men who shall thus proceed and without turning to right or left for "foul" purposes, shall pass around a stake boat one and a half miles off from east to west, and arrives at where the word "Go" was given, first, shall carry thereafter in his breeches pocket the $500 advanced by his opponent.

OUR THOROUGHFARES.

Meeting of the Street Committee Last Night—The Oakland Railway Company and the Repairs on Fifth Avenue—Award of Contracts.

The Street Committee met last evening in the Common Council chamber, Mr. Fulton in the chair.

The pay rolls for the month of April, as follows, were presented and approved:

First district	$1,933.89
Second district	1,560.12
Third district	1,431.42
Fifth district	935.56
Sixth district	839 88
Seventh district	897 97
Engineer's pay roll	2,056.96
Total	$9,655 89

Mr. West, from the sub-committee on the grading, paving and curbing of Gregory street, Twenty-second ward, reported progress.

Mr. Jeremy, from the sub-committee on certain proposed changes in Dinwiddie and Colwell streets, recommended that the grade of Dinwiddie street be made uniform between Centre and Fifth avenues, and that the grading, etc., be deferred for one year in order to admit of the putting down of a sewer. On Colwell, between Dinwiddie and Vine, a change so as to make Dinwiddie eight feet to the hundred instead of ten, as it is at present. Also that the grade of Colwell east of Jumonville be made, the first stretch, ten feet, and the second eight feet to the hundred.

Counsel for remonstrants appeared and addressed the committee in favor of a better grade, but was overruled, and the report was received and approved.

The assessment for sewer on School alley, Seventeenth ward, was approved.

The claim of J. L. Reed for damages caused by building a sewer across his lots on Centre avenue was approved, the claimant being allowed a drawback sufficient to pay his assessment on a new sewer in front of his property.

Petitions providing for the grading, etc., of Railroad, Virginia, St. Clair and Washington streets, Thirty-second ward, under the Penn avenue act, was discussed relative to the legality of said act, and finally recommended for approval, with the provision that no wooden pavements shall be laid.

A sub-committee was appointed to confer with the officers of the A. V. R. R. relative to the extension of Cedar alley sewer.

Petition for the grading, paving and curbing of Liberty street, from Thirty-fourth street to Liberty avenue. Ordinance ordered to be drawn.

An ordinance providing for the grading, paving and curbing of Cowan street, South Side, was ordered.

Ordinances for the grading, paving and curbing of Locust street from Miltenberger to Van Braam street, and from Pride street to Shingiss were reported favorably.

Remonstrance against proposed sewer in Almond alley was referred to a sub-committee.

Petition for improvement of Twenty-third street, South Side. Ordinance ordered.

Petition for the changing and rearranging of the numbers on Sixth street together with a remonstrance against the same. Indefinitely postponed.

Mr. West offered the following:

Resolved, That the defeat of bill No. 211, regulating the assessment of damages on grades will result in the stoppage of all such improvements in the city; and the Senators and Representatives from Allegheny county are respectfully requested to use all proper endeavors to secure its passage.

The resolution passed and the clerk directed to notify the members of the Legislature from this county of the action of the committee.

Petition for the grading, paving and curbing of Twenty-first street, South Side, from Carson to Wharton. Ordinances ordered.

On motion of Mr. Dannells, ordinances for the repaving of Wood street and Water street in front of the Monongahela House were ordered to be drawn.

Ordinance for the opening of Vickroy street from Stevenson to Pride street. Reported favorably.

Petition for the improvement of Bluff, Shingis, Cooper, Magee and Stevenson streets. Ordinances ordered.

On motion of Mr. Megraw the following was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Oakland Passenger Railway has been notified by the Street Commissioner of the district a number of times to put Fifth avenue along the route of its track in proper condition, and no attention ever paid to these notices,

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner in charge be instructed and ordered to proceed forthwith to repair and clean said street and collect the cost thereof from the said railway company.

On motion of Mr. Flynn, an ordinance was ordered providing for the widening of Ann street between Magee and Stevenson street.

The following assessments were approved: Walnut alley, fifty per cent. of grade of Hill street, Spencer street and Twenty-first street.

Proposals for public work were then opened and read. That for Thirty-fifth street, from Butler to the river, includes 15,020 cubic yards of grading, 5,434 square yards of paving, 3,040 feet of curbing, and 690 square feet of crossings. The bids were as follows:

	Grading. per foot	Paving. per foot	Curbing. man holes	Crossings. drops
R. Hills	50	$1.25	$1.00	62
D. Byrn	34	1 10	80	75
F. Armstrong	38	98	79	70
Moran & Co.	46	99	75	65

The contract was awarded to F. Armstrong.

For sewer in Yard's alley the bids were:

	per foot	man holes	drops
Koch & Cappel	4 90	$34	$85
McDonoug, Logan & Co.	4 83	39	59
Joyce & Welsh	8 50	60	99
D. C. Driscoll	6 00	45	150

The work was awarded to McDonough, Logan & Co.

The contract for re-numbering Fifth avenue was awarded to R. C. & C. Patterson at thirty-five cents per number, they being the only bidders. Adjourned.

THE CRUSADE.

A Lively time on Smithfield Street Yesterday.

The ladies of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union engaged in the crusade movement, were out again yesterday in force. They left the Alliance rooms at ten o'clock in the morning. They made their visits on Smithfield street. Col. Fricker was called upon, but that gentleman refused the ladies admittance, so a curbstone meeting was held. Reinhardt's was next visited. A little girl behind the counter stated that she could not give the woman permission to come in. About this time Mrs. R. came down, and in language more forcible than polite, told them to leave the saloon. Another curbstone meeting was the result. Peter Kolbecker, No. 165 Smithfield street, was next called upon. Now, it is well known that Peter has once before refused the ladies admission. The women thinking his heart had softened once then, again thought to try him, but his wasn't that kind of a heart. Several ladies entered and asked permission to hold a meeting, Kolbecker replied, "No, I was obbosed of dis business anyhow, I dond pelieve in it, and I vont allow bushness here."

The ladies then formed for a curb stone meeting and had commenced to sing, when Kolbecker greatly excited rushed out and said, "get out of here or I get de boiler!" After a little lively dancing around on his part, he said, "Vell das boiler! O, das is ein shame, anyhow get out of here!" The ladies continued with their services, when Kolbecker rushed out upon the pavement, and rudely pushed two of the ladies. The crowd had become somewhat excited and commenced to jeer the German for his display of bad temper. The ladies took their places again and continued the service, but Kolbecker did not disturb them again. A policeman now appeared, but instead of driving off the ladies he opened a passage way. Kolbecker, during his remarks, liberally scattered German oaths between them, so that his language would not all of it look well in print. The ladies finished their meeting, and afterwards visited the Revere house, opposite, but were not admitted. This closed the morning work.

After a lunch, in the afternoon, the crusade was resumed. Saloons on Sixth street were visited in the vicinity of the suspension bridge. At Lovey's the ladies were permitted to enter and the proprietor told them they could stay as long as they had a mind to, but the crowd was not allowed inside. An Allegheny individual here made himself conspicuous by ribald remarks, and he was "yanked" by the police. As he was well known on the North Side, though he was obstreperous, the Acting Mayor let him off, after much pleading with by friends, with a light fine. Several other visits were made, but no saloon keeper shut up shop or signed the pledge.

RECENT IMPROVEMENTS.

The Building Inspectors Quarterly Report.

The Building Inspector has just completed his report for the first quarter of the present year. It is one of those ever welcome statistical efforts indicative of improvements in the city, which serves once in three months to inform the press and general public that the author is still an occupant of a nook in Municipal Hall and is faithfully marking down the number of new stables, houses and buildings that are in course of erection, together with extensions to back kitchens and improvements to old structures that are worthy of record. The Building Inspector does not report once a month as other city officials do, neither does he permit his book to be around on his desk to fall a prey daily, weekly or monthly to the reporters, as is the usage in other departments; he reserves his rich developments until they heap up in a pile, and while not permitting any anticipatory items, takes the pieces by storm with no end of news, all at one fell swoop, and herewith is presented the gratifying results of his husbanded resources.

The number of permits issued was two hundred and fifty-two, of which one hundred and forty were for brick and ninety-seven for frame houses, and fifteen for additions or alterations to old buildings. The total cost of construction of all these was $583,000, or an average of about $2,300 each.

A comparison of this report with that of the corresponding quarter of last year shows an immense falling off, there having been fully five times as many permits issued up to April 1st, 1873. This fact was foreshadowed in the article reviewing the building prospects, which was published in the GAZETTE nearly two months ago, and as the reasons for the dullness was then fully explained, it is unnecessary to go into the details again. The indications are now, however, that building will be quite as active during the Summer months, parties who have hitherto been investors in stocks and similar securities having become somewhat chary of such and prefer the surer and more substantial, but may be not so profitable, rent rolls.

But few permits for expensive buildings have been taken out, the majority being for dwellings of medium cost. The most notable are the new shops of Atwood & McCaffrey on Third avenue between Market and Ferry, es imated at $20,000; the Hancock (Fifth ward) School House, $30,000; Fifth Avenue Bank, corner of Price street, $30,000; Morse School House (Twenty-fifth ward), $50,000, and S. S. Carrier's residence, Ellsworth avenue, $12,000. The Eighteenth ward, hither, to behind the others, is at the top of the list this quarter, scoring twenty six buildings, which are generally of a substantial character.

Ladies, you will have no yellow or spotted biscuits by using Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder.

The "Franklin," Allegheny, pays interest on time deposits.

BREVITIES.

Paragraphic Penellings of Passing Events.

····A flag-stone floor is being laid in the Allegheny lock-up.

····The Street Committee of Allegheny Councils will meet this evening.

····The Neville street block pavement underwent a scraping yesterday, the first since it was laid.

····The Union Depot these days shows more than the average animation. Travel is unusually brisk.

····Province, the insane man who was in the Allegheny lock-up was removed to Dixmont yesterday.

····Mr. Willison, of Spencer & Willison, livery stable keepers in Allegheny, was thrown from a buggy yesterday and badly bruised.

····Two or three more streets opened in the East End and no property holder there need complain of not having a corner lot.

····Gold Water Billy and Silver Cloud will run a three mile pacing race at Friendship Park on Saturday afternoon next, for a purse of $1000.

····The Hazlewood Temperance Union has appointed a vigilance committee to see that the Sunday law is enforced in that part of the city.

····Pittock says he received a letter signed "Old Subscriber" before the second number of his paper was well into the hands of the newsboys.

····Mr. S. B. Graham has been sworn in as special detective for the Work House by Mayor Neille, to keep away suspicious characters who smuggle in liquor.

····A man named Samuel Phillips was drawn into some machinery in a planing mill at Parnassus yesterday, and was so badly injured that he died soon after.

····The workmen engaged in tearing down the walls of the Robinson mansion, yesterday undermined the building and the whole concern fell. Nobody was hurt.

····Col. Herrons is figuring on the location of a street connecting, way as little grade as possible, the avenue which bears his name with Center avenue at the line of the old rifle pits.

····The will of W. C. Robertson was filed yesterday in the Register's office. His entire estate is bequeathed to his wife, and at her death it is to be divided among their five children.

····The Pittsburgh & Ormsby Passenger Railway Company is to be put up at public sale this afternoon by W. C. Aughinbaugh, trustee, to satisfy a bonded and floating indebtedness of $63,000.

····A sub-committee of Councils examine the Soho slide to-day; if the gentlemen but devise a panacea that shall keep the erratic real estate out that way in its little bed their reputations are made.

····On Monday evening next Miss Ella E. Elsler makes her first and only appearance at the Pittsburgh Opera House, on the occasion of Mr. Harry Elsler's first benefit, in a play not yet announced.

····Mr. Lewis Peterson, Jr., of Allegheny, is the possessor of a copy of a volume containing the acts of assembly, relative to the city of Pittsburgh, and all the ordinances and by-laws of this city up to 1828.

····The Uniontown *Standard* gives evidence of thrift since selling out to the Democratic party, as witness the advertisements of the county officers appearing in its columns—the price, no doubt, of the editor's principles.

····Officer Charles Jones, of Allegheny, yesterday afternoon found pa bundle of silks and dry goods lying in the middle of Federal street near North avenue. About an hour afterwards the owner came in search of it and identified the bundle.

····A little daughter of Mrs. Hill who resides corner of Penn avenue and Butler street, had a narrow escape from burning to death on Tuesday night. Her clothes caught fire from a stove, but, fortunately, serious results were prevented by a neighbor.

····If the Oakland Passenger Railway must occupy the best driving part of the Fifth avenue pavement, wouldn't it be anything more than fair to vehicle owners for the company to put down the rails at once, instead of having them scattered over the road, as has been the case for three months past?

····The City Controller refuses at present to pass sundry items on the Water and Police Committee pay rolls. The objectionable ones are "cash advanced $144.94;" "one pay off an assistant to clerk Duff, and a bill of John Coyle, Esq., for $25 for defending a couple of policemen in the Court of Quarter Sessions.

····Travel westward by emigrants is very great this year. Last evening over six hundred came by way of the Panhandle Railroad, and four hundred and fifty of these went westward by way of the Fort Wayne Railroad. Seven cars of baggage were transferred at the Union Depot, giving Baggage Agent Mengus plenty to do for the time being.

····Prothonotary Kennedy has paid Controller Warner over $2,300, the receipts of his office during the month of April, exclusive of $405, the State tax on writs, which he retains until after the decision of the Court relative to the difficulty between these two officers. The Controller accepted the money but refused to receive the return.

····Charles Hull and John Woods last evening were passing down Wylie avenue, when they espied a pair of shoes hanging in front of a shoe store. They attempted to steal the pair, but succeeded in capturing but one of them. Officers Samuel Erwin saw them, and taking them into custody, he lodged them in the Central Station, from whence they will be heard this morning.

····Mr. Thomas J. Dicus, of Allegheny City, fell from a coal barge in the Allegheny river, near the Suspension bridge, on Tuesday evening, and was almost drowned. He battled manfully against the strong current, but was unable to make a landing, and was about giving up in despair, when a man who was standing on a barge below the bridge, threw out a long pole and drew him ashore. He was unable to walk without assistance for awhile, but soon recovered after getting home.

····About four o'clock yesterday afternoon a sneak-thief entered the residence of Mrs. Megraw, on Rebecca street near School street, Allegheny, and walked up stairs and stole a pocket book containing $25. On the way up he was met by one of the ladies in the house, but she thought he was a painter, who was engaged at work there, and she paid no attention to him. The same chap has represented himself in diff erents parts of the city, representing that he is deaf and dumb, and presenting a piece of paper to that effect, and asked for aid.

····Some of the officials of a couple of banks on Fifth avenue above Smithfield street, have made so nervous at the persistent loafing of four young men near the premises, that after standing the pressure two days they yesterday suggested to the police the probability that the men might be a gang of detectives Scott and Cupples interviewed them, and discovered that a comrade was in a law office near by, where he expected to get some money due, and they were merely "dingering patiently about till Mary (or whatever his name was) did appear," and fulfill a promise passed to the "set-up again boys, whoin-thunder-keers for expenses.

CHAS. R. HENRY TRIED AND FOUND GUILTY—Recommended to Mercy.

The trial of Charles R. Henry, recently a distributing clerk in the post office of this city was commenced and concluded yesterday in the United States District Court. There were two indictments against the prisoner. The first one charged him unlawfully detaining, delaying, and opening a letter, and with secreting, embezzling and destroying a letter. The first two counts of the second indictment contained similar charges to the above; the third was for stealing and abstracting certain notes of great value, and the fourth was for secreting and embezzling a certain letter and packet. To both of these indictments the prisoner plead not guilty. His was District Attorney Shiras, Jr., and their persevering and somewhat protracted use the most tainted systems may be completely renovated and built up anew. Deep-seated tumors and swellings dwindle away and disappear under the influence of these great resolvents.

DOCTORS COULDN'T HELP HIM.

MEIGSVILLE, Morgan Co., O., March 24, 1872.
Dear DR PIERCE, Buffalo, N. Y.:

When I was about seven years of age I took what is called King's Evil, and by constant doctoring it would heal in one place and break out in another. I also broke out in my left ear. I first found your name in the "Christian Advocate," and sent ten miles for the first bottle, which did me more good than all other medicines I ever used. I am 28 years old and doctored with five doctors, and not one of them can be put me so much as your bottle of Discovery. I have got well and able to do a good day's work.

JOHN A. WILSON.

THE COURTS.

YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

United States District Court.

[Before Judge McCandless.]

The following true bills were returned yesterday by the Grand Jury:

United States vs. David Young, of Indiana county, indicted for distilling without giving bond, with intent to defraud the United States, and failing to make the proper registries.

United States vs. George S. Stearing, Erie county. Indicted for passing, attempting to pass, and having in possession a counterfeit note.

United States vs. Robert E. Devore, Clarion county. Charged with having in his possession counterfeit Treasury notes. Material witnesses for the defence being absent, trial continued to next term in October. Purviance for defendant.

U. S. vs. John Earl, charged with making and passing counterfeit money.

U. S. vs. Seth Todd Perley, charged with withholding money as a claim agent.

U. S. vs. S. S. Norris, charged with manufacturing and having in his possession counterfeit coin, with intent to pass the same.

U. S. vs. John Earl, John Eaton and Beulah Eaton, charged with making counterfeit coin, and having in their possession implements for the manufacture of spurious coin.

U. S. vs. Angelina Gardner, Perry Woodward, B. F. Walker and C. H. Harris, charged with manufacturing counterfeit half dollar coins and bogus five cent nickels, and with passing bogus five cent nickels.

U. S. vs. D. D. Williams of Connesautville, charged with embezzling and misapplying funds belonging to a National bank.

United States vs. Charles R. Henry, Pittsburgh. Charged with embezzling letters and destroying the same, etc. This case came on for trial. The defendant plead not guilty. Witnesses called and examined and case submitted to the jury. Verdict guilty, and recommended to the mercy of the Court. Montooth Bros. for defendant.

United States vs. David Young, Indiana county. Indicted for illicit distilling. Defendant plead guilty and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the Indiana county jail, and pay a fine of five hundred dollars and costs. Thompson for defendant.

United States vs. Nelle Durant, Venango county, charged with passing counterfeit money, but not yet indicted. Defendant not being able to pay expenses of essential witnesses, an order was made directing the United States Marshall to summon the same at the expense of the Government. Moore for defendant.

United States vs. John McKinley. Habeas corpus ordered to issue to the warden of the Allegheny county jail, for the body of James Stewart, a witness for the defendant in this case. Barkley for defendant.

United States vs. John Carr, Jefferson county. Attachment ordered to issue for the arrest of certain United States witnesses.

Moses McCue vs. the Pennsylvania Enameling Company, debtor in bankruptcy, Pittsburgh. Answer of debtor filed and order made for jury trial at next term at Pittsburgh. Lazear for debtor.

Michael Bigin, bankrupt, Luzerne county. The Register's report on petition of Horace Hoole et al, creditors, for the ascertainment of liens, was presented and approved, and assignee directed to pay the sums allowed.

Andrew Ackley vs. the steamboat Hercules, in admiralty. Exceptions filed to commissioner's report on distribution of the fund. Brown & Lambie for exceptants, who ask for order for payment of seamen's wages, wharfage, hospital dues, commissioners' fees and court costs. Barton for motion.

Howe Sewing Machine Company vs. D. M. Smith, Lawrence county, debtor in bankruptcy. Proceedings were discontinued. Watson for creditor.

The case of John McKinley, of Armstrong county, charged with passing, attempting to pass, and having in his possession with intent to pass, counterfeit coin, is on trial. The prosecution closed yesterday afternoon, and the defense will be taken up this morning.

Common Pleas Court.

[Before Judge Sterrett.]

Judgment of non-suit was entered in one of the cases of Geo. W. Friend vs. Hiram Thompson, reported yesterday. In the other, a verdict for plaintiff for $246.06 was rendered.

The next case taken up was that of Hubley, Adams & Co. vs. the Federal Insurance Co. of Allegheny City. This was an action on a fire insurance policy for $617.49. The defense claimed an alteration of the policy by plaintiffs, after it had been delivered. Verdict for plaintiffs for $686.46

In the case stated of James F. Speer and Anna B. Speer vs. Elward House, the Court ordered judgment to be entered for plaintiffs.

The case of Bell vs. Munhall, an action for labor performed by plaintiff while in the service of defendant, is on trial. The defendant claims he never employed the plaintiff.

Trial List for To day.

No. 89, Mills vs. Mills.
" 202, Blackburn et al. vs. Watson.
" 212, Holmes vs. Forepaugh.
" 213, Hutchinson vs Williams & Co.
" 102, Rose vs. Campbell.
" 116, Lyon, Shorb & Co. vs. Jones et al.
" 112, Morrison for use vs. Robinson.
" 118, McClintock vs. Baisley & Bonney.
" 119, Old Fellow's Savings Bank vs. Moorhead, Adams & Co.
" 145, Neil vs. Paxton.
" 142, McClintock vs. Bracken.
" 151, Thomas Bros, et al. vs. McMichael.
" 158, Bell et al. vs. Hoyls.
" 165, Fisher & Eakin vs. Herman.
" 171, First National Bank of Kittanning vs. Heilbroner.

District Court.

[Before Judges Ewing, Kirkpatrick and White.]

The case of B. James et ux. vs. the Pennsylvania Company, previously reported, is still on trial before Judge Ewing.

The case of Ballantine vs. Kearns et al. is on trial before Judge Kirkpatrick.

The case of the Hartford Insurance Company of Hartford, Conn., vs Thorne et al. is still on trial before Judge White.

In the case of the Germania Savings Bank vs. Chas. Goettman, the counsel for plaintiff filed reasons for a new trial.

Trial List for To-day.

Lightner & Co. vs. Lens et. al
Lightner & Co. vs Hilke et al (4).
Addy et al., for use, vs. Frazier et al.
Girard National Bank of Philadelphia vs. Second National Bank of Pittsburgh.
Purcell vs. Madeira.
Central Passenger R. R. Co. vs. Harrett.
Oliver adm'r, vs. Donnision.
Bell vs. Clark.
Beck vs. Beck.
Louchheim Bros. vs. Fell.
Brown vs. McFerron.

AMUSEMENTS.

PITTSBURGH OPERA HOUSE.—Another very large and intelligent audience assembled at the Opera House last evening, the attraction being Shakspeare's comedy of "The Merchant of Venice," with Edwin Booth in the character of *Shylock*, the revengeful Jew. Only four acts were played, the performance concluding with what is termed the trial scene. The last act drops into pleasant comedy, and Mr. Booth thinks it best to omit that which amounts to a pointless climax. *Shylock* was deeply wrought in some respects. He was the object of wanton insult, and it is but fair that we should ascribe his thirst for *Antonio's* pound of flesh to an antique form of emotional insanity, caused by brooding over injuries. Shakspeare produced in this drama something that did not too rudely disturb the prejudices of his time, which now appear unfeeling and cruel. The departure of the Anglo-Saxon people generally from sympathy with "The Merchant of Venice," makes the task of the artist assuming the *role of Shylock* perplexing in the extreme. Mr. Booth's impersonation last evening was fortunately placed on what may be called, middle ground, being neither an appeal to pity nor to unmixed detestation. His *Shylock* is a man of vigorous passions, strongly devoted to his race, and pursuing his ends with an intensity that springs from a combative nature. He uses his hands in the dialogue almost incessantly, and the expression of his features throughout is sardonic. His attitudes are also finely chosen. The trial scene, in which he sharpens his knife and prepares to take his pound of flesh, could not well be improved on. The final scene, where he goes forth crushed in heart and estate, the picture of utter humiliation and despair was truly wonderful. His scenes all rose to the level of grand, and there was a certain measured force even in the impetuous tumult of his rage and disappointment that comported with *Shylock's* age and training. No one conversant with Booth's growth on the stage can fail to discern now that he acts with more freedom and breath than in his younger days. He seems less coldly studied and sombre in certain passages than of old. He was called before the curtain several times to receive the plaudits of the delighted audience. The support received from a portion of the company was excellent, but the least said about some the better for their reputation. Mr. Gottlob, as *Gratiano*, acquitted himself with great credit, as he universally does with everything he undertakes. Mr. Price, as *Bassanio*, also rendered his part exceeding well. Miss Wilmot's *Portia* was very graceful, but in the trial scene a few degrees more of warmth would have been acceptable. Altogether the performance was generally satisfactory to the large audience.

To-night is set for "Othello," and those who desire seats had better secure them during the day. The management may be excused for the change in the price of admission this week, on the fact that they are precisely the same that Mr. Booth adopts wherever he acts.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—Little Nell, the bright genius that rules at this house, gave another representation of *Fidelio* last evening. As we have said before, she is a young lady of decided talent in her peculiar line, and an artiste who ought to be well patronized by the lovers of the realistic drama. Her singing and dancing, banjo playing, and her music on the wood and straw instrument are all first class and cleverly done. The company which supports Little Nell is fair. Manager Beamer has placed the piece upon the stage with remarkable liberality, the fire scene and nitro-glycerine explosion being terribly realistic. For a pleasant play, pleasantly produced and enacted, see the "Fire Waif" at the Academy of Music. Box office open all day for securing of seats.

THE STEREOPTICON.—The second and last entertainment at Liberty street M. E. Church, of the stereopticon for dissolving views, will take place this evening. Scripture scenes will be given in the first part, closing with some of a comic character. At the entertainment on Tuesday evening, the pastor of the church, Rev. R. T. Cather, delivered some excellent and appropriate explanatory remarks, which greatly added to the interest of the occasion.

MARTIN'S VARIETIES THEATRE.—This place has leaped into favor so fast that it has now become the standard variety theatre of Pittsburgh. Nightly the house is filled by enthusiastic lovers of the vaudeville, who go away well satisfied and delighted with the entertainments given. To the lovers of variety acts there is no pleasanter place to spend an evening.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Deeds Filed for Record.

The following deeds were filed with Recorder Richardson, on Tuesday, May 5th:

W. H. McEwen to James McEwen, April 11, 1874, undivided half of 120 acres in South Fayette township. Price $4,635.....John M. Watt et al to Josiah Holmes, April 20, 1874, tract of land in Moon township, containing 93 acres and 60¾ perches. Price $1,828.50.....James W. Edgerton to Benj. Carpenter, March 2, 1874, four lots in Tarentum borough, 50x117 feet each. Price $2,800.....Henry Kieber to Geo. Shiras, Jr., April 1, 1874, four lots on Beach alley and Van Braam street, 50x113 feet. Price $8,992.50.....George Shiras, Jr., to Lyon, Shorb & Co., April 1, 1874, same lots as above. Price $1.....A. Dempster to Wm. Martin, April 28, 1874, lots corner Hiland avenue and Jackson street, Nineteenth ward, Pittsburgh, 64x94 feet. Price $2,900.....G. C. Bell to Edwin Oskin, May 2, 1864, lot in Wilkins township. Price $2,000.....Thos. Mellon to J. W. Drape, March 12, 1874, lot on Monterey street, Allegheny, 20x110 feet. Price $1,700.....Henry Hunter to Jas. Henry, April 1, 1872, 6 acres and 74 perches in Plum township. Price $1,708.....Hy. A. Breed to Wm. K. Jennings, March 2, 1874, lot on Ellsworth avenue and Bidwell street, Twenty-fifth ward, Pittsburgh. Price $2,100.....Jennings to C. B. Breed, March 26, 1874, same lot as above. Price $12,000.....Geo. Porter to R. M. Evans, April 18, 1874, lot on Penn avenue 20x100 feet. Price $2,000.....Robt. H. Hunter to Mary E. Wilson, December 25, 1873, 4 acres in Kilbuck township. Price $1.....Homestead Bank and Life Insurance Company to Alex. West, February 24, 1874, lot in M'Clin borough 60x115 feet. Price $680.....John H. Hare, Sheriff, to W. H. Scoop, Oct. 20, 1873, lot on Ledlie street, Second ward, Allegheny, 20x81 feet. Price $342.10.....Nathaniel Miller to R. W. Hunter, Oct. 17, 1873, lot on Penn avenue, Thirteenth ward, Pittsburgh, 20x120 feet, each. Price, $404.....Robt. McClelland, administrator, to Mrs. Rachel W. McGregor, Sept. 15, 1866; two lots in Noblestown. Price, $250.....George S. Head to Rachel W. McGregor, Sept. 19, 1866; lot in Noblestown. Price, $400.....Matthew McGregor to Fred. Mansion, May 1, 1874; lot in Noblestown, 73x115 feet. Price, $1,360.....Alex. Conley to Mrs. M. D. Hakes, May 2, 1874; lot in Eleventh ward, Allegheny, 24½ square. Price, $3,000.....John C. Penner et al, executors to Wm. McQuown, Sept. 15, 1873; lot in Kilbuck township, 393x182 feet. Price, $1,200.....Jeremiah J. Wren to Jas. Hughes, May 4, 1874; lot in Wilkins township, containing 6 acres. Price, $1,850.....Peter J. Uding to Christina Allen, April 16, 1874; lot on Penn sylvania avenue, Fifth ward, All